



## Soul Revolution Sermon Series Part 3 – “Revolutionary Prayer”

Acts 16:25-34

### Series Summary

Have you ever felt like you were at a crossroads in your life? You just didn't know where to turn next? You felt cold, lonely, and like your spirit was in a dry spell? You felt like your prayers were just hitting the ceiling and going no further? Maybe you just felt like you wanted to connect with God at a deeper level? If so, then you are in need of a **Soul Revolution**.

**Jeremiah 6:16** – This is what the LORD says: "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. But you said, 'We will not walk in it.'"

The main purpose of this series is to help each individual connect with God at a deeper level and to renew a spirit of love, commitment, and devotion within the heart of every believer. As they stand at the crossroads, our desire is to help them discover through God's Word the wisdom, courage, and strength to make the right choice to follow God's path for their life.

### Series Big Idea

#### Big Idea – Live, Love, Leave No Regrets

What is you could live a life of no regrets from this point forward? What if you could begin living life with the right purpose in mind and learn to love all those around you even your enemies? God has given every Christian all the tools they will ever need to live a life of no regrets yet few Christian's are using the tools God has given them. Discover what it means to live a life of no regrets through this series and begin your “No Regret” lifestyle today!

- **What are your regrets? Are you ready to leave them behind and begin living for Jesus?**

**Brief Summary:** I have seen a vision of the Lord overtaking His church in a mighty way as they set their heart and mind to Him in prayer. Many times we do not know where to turn or what to do, some times we do not even know the words to utter. We are simply at a loss and it is at this moment in time that we must remember that we are children of God, we have been bought at a price and when we face are most difficult hours, God is the closest to us than any other time. Maybe you feel imprisoned or in bondage, maybe you feel that are shackled by something yet you do not know what then try a Soul Shaking, Wall Breaking Revolutionary Prayer!

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### Soul Shaking, Wall Breaking Prayer

#### Part #1 – The Plea of the Persecuted

- **Acts 16:22-24**
- **Key Point** - The first part of our text deals with the plea of the persecuted Christian. All over the world verses 22-24 are still a reality and yet many Christians remain driven to risk all and abandon all for the cause of Christ. The reason for this is summed up in Paul's letter to the church in Phillippi. *Understand the context of Acts 16, Paul finds*

*himself jailed in a prison in Philippi.* In **Philippians 1:9-10** Paul utters this prayer: And this is my prayer – that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God. *This is the plea of the persecuted church – The lost will be saved and will live for God’s glory until the day of Christ return!*

## Part #2 – The Power of the Plea

- **Acts 16:25-30**
- **Key Point** – As we examine verses 25-30, we witness the great power of the plea of the faithful. Here we see men of God that are driven to spread the Gospel at all costs and in the midst of their torment and pain they have but one thought on their minds: PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW! At midnight, these men can’t rest, can’t sleep, and are literally in utter pain and they cry out to the Lord in Prayer and Songs of Praise. Witness the power of this great plea of the faithful: The Prisoners Listened, the Foundation & the walls are Shaken, Doors Were Opened that were Closed, and Shackles were Broken, and the Spiritually Blind were given a Chance to See (Roman Jailor.) This is the Power of the Prayer of a Righteous Follower of Christ!

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## Part #3 – The Results of Soul Shaking Prayer

- **Acts 16:31-34**
- **Key Point** – The final verses help us see the result of prayer. God open’s the door for the Gospel to be presented and the lost are saved. This truly is the results of a Soul Shaking Prayer that is lifted up to our Heavenly Father. Keep praying, keep pushing on, and keep praising God!

### Question to Consider

- **Who do you need to be praying for today that is either lost or wayward or hurting?**

### Memory Verse

**Ephesians 6:19** - Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel...

### Challenge

**Soul Revolution Challenge** – Take the first step in achieving a Soul Revolution. Take a leaf from the foyer and write down one or more regrets that you have in your life and give them over to Jesus. Begin fresh today, forgiven, and set on living out God’s desire for your life.