

HOW TO IMPACT AMERICA
(PART 2)
One Neighborhood Under God

Acts 16:11-40

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When we are intentional about building spiritually-based friendships, opportunities will come our way to share Christ and make a difference where we live.

*** What can happen in "one neighborhood under God?"**

1. _____ can impact a whole city.

On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. One of those listening was a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. Acts 16:13-14

2. One _____ can lead to _____ others.

One of those listening was a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us. Acts 16:14-15

3. There is power in the _____ of _____.

Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. Acts 16:16

She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so troubled that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her. Acts 16:18

See Acts 4:12-13

4. Jesus _____ and changes _____.

The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household." Acts 16:29-31

The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole family. Acts 16:34

What will you trust God to do in your neighborhood?

1. Do you really believe prayer can impact a whole city? How much do you pray for your city or neighborhood? Who can you get to join you in prayer efforts for where you live?
2. There is power in the name and person of Jesus. What kind of help do you need to call on Jesus for today? Will you believe Him (trust Him) to do great things?
3. What God does in your neighborhood may begin with you. What do you think God wants to do in your life today? What doors might Jesus open for you? What changes does He want to make in you?