

**Lydia: Freedom from \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Acts 16:11-15**

**Religion** is the practice of outward \_\_\_\_\_ in order to produce an \_\_\_\_\_ change with eternal effect.

**Salvation** is an inward transformation by \_\_\_\_\_ with eternal effect, leading to a change of \_\_\_\_\_ and affections.

**1. Religious and \_\_\_\_\_ (V. 14a)**

**2. Salvation of a Religious Woman**

**1. Experience of \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 14b)**

- “The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.”
- Salvation begins with an experience of grace, when the \_\_\_\_\_, through the preached Gospel, convicts the individual of sin (John 6:44, Romans 10:17).

**2. Expression of \_\_\_\_\_ (V. 15a)**

- “And after she was baptized”
- Baptism is the first step of \_\_\_\_\_ for the Christian.
- Baptism is important because \_\_\_\_\_ Word says it is important.

**3. Exercise of Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 15b)**

- “and her household as well [*was baptized*]”
- Everyone is a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, the question is “What spirit are you leading others towards?”
- Parents hold the \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for your child’s conversion and discipleship (Deut. 6:6-7, Psalm 78:5-7, Prov. 1:8, Joel 1:3, Eph 6:4)  
-Make the Gospel Clear
  - i. “God, our Creator, loves us and has rightly commanded us how to live.”
  - ii. “We have sinned against God and rightly \_\_\_\_\_ his judgment”
  - iii. “But there is good news of God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus’s payment.”
  - iv. “We must each \_\_\_\_\_ personally.”

**4. Example of \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 15c)**

- “she urged us, saying “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed on us.”

- Basically, Lydia is saying, “If you really \_\_\_\_\_ I became a believer of Jesus, come and \_\_\_\_\_ for yourself that the Lord has come to rule in my life.”
- The saved person exemplifies a changed life. No longer maintaining \_\_\_\_\_ by making religion an add-on, now he/she is centered on living in Christ (Ephesians 2:20).