

A Divine Appointment

Acts 16:30-34

We have here three very important persons, each of whom is actively involved in this DIVINE APPOINTMENT. Let's take a closer look at these three persons, bearing in mind that they will all be present in any divine appointment today.

- I. First, we see a SINNER SEEKING (v. 30b "...Sirs, what must I do to be saved?")
 - A. This is a question that EVERY MAN SHOULD ASK. (v.30b)
 1. He asks it with the recognition that HE IS NOT YET SAVED ("..what must I do?")
 2. He asks it with the recognition that HE COULD POTENTIALLY BE SAVED (literally, "that I might be saved.")
 - B. This is a question that EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD ANSWER. (v.31a "And they said...") "they said" literally is "they gave command" (imperative mode)
- II. Second, we see A SAINT SHARING (vv. 31-32) (they shared concerning the salvation of the Lord: three specific areas.)
 - A. We are to share the SIMPLICITY of salvation. (31a "...Believe in the Lord Jesus and you shall be saved...")
 - B. We are to share the EXTENSION of salvation. (31b "...you and your household.")
 - C. We are to share the ASSURANCE of salvation. (v. 32)
- III. Third, we see A SAVIOR SAVING (vv. 33-34) (we see three by-products of the Savior's work in the jailor– the same by-products that should result from every conversion:)
 - A. When the Savior saves, we should OBEY HIM IN BAPTISM. (v. 33c "...immediately he was baptized, he and all his household.")
 1. Acts 2:41
 2. Acts 8:37
 - B. When the Savior saves, we should PARTICIPATE IN SERVICE. (vv. 33b-34a)
 - C. When the Savior saves, we should REJOICE IN PRAISE. (v. 34c "...he...rejoiced greatly having believed in God with his whole household.")

A divine appointment is just that, a DIVINE appointment. In every divine appointment there is:

- I. THE SINNER SEEKING ("What must I do to be saved?")
- II. THE SAINT SHARING ("Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ!")
- III. The SAVIOR SAVING ("Whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord, shall be saved!" Romans 10:13)