# –Lydia

Acts 16:11-15



Lydia worshiped God. As she listened to Paul teach about Jesus, God opened her heart, and she believed. Along with her whole household, she was baptized as a believer. Paul stayed in her home while he preached and taught in Philippi.

#### Take a Look

Here are some of the people and things in today's story. What can your child tell you about them?



**Lydia** was a successful businesswoman who traded purple cloth. She convinced Paul to stay with her after her entire household was baptized.

**Paul** traveled through Macedonia with Silas to spread the gospel. He stopped to preach in Philippi, where he met and converted Lydia.



**Hospitality** was an important virtue in the ancient world. Many of Jesus' parables featured guests, hosts, and feasts. Lydia showed Paul great hospitality.

#### About the Video

Paul was by the river, spreading the good news of Jesus. There he met Lydia, whose heart was opened by God to Paul's message. She converted to Christianity and, with her whole household, was baptized.

- How was Paul following God's call? How was Lydia following God's call?
- Whom have you seen baptized?
- If you could make and sell something like purple cloth, what would it be?

## Try This!

Cut up an old piece of purple cloth, like a t-shirt or an old sock. If you don't have cloth, use purple paper. Carry a piece of purple cloth or paper in your pocket to help you remember Lydia.

### Prayer

Dear God, open my heart to listen carefully as people tell me about you. Then I can tell others by what I say and do. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen!

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