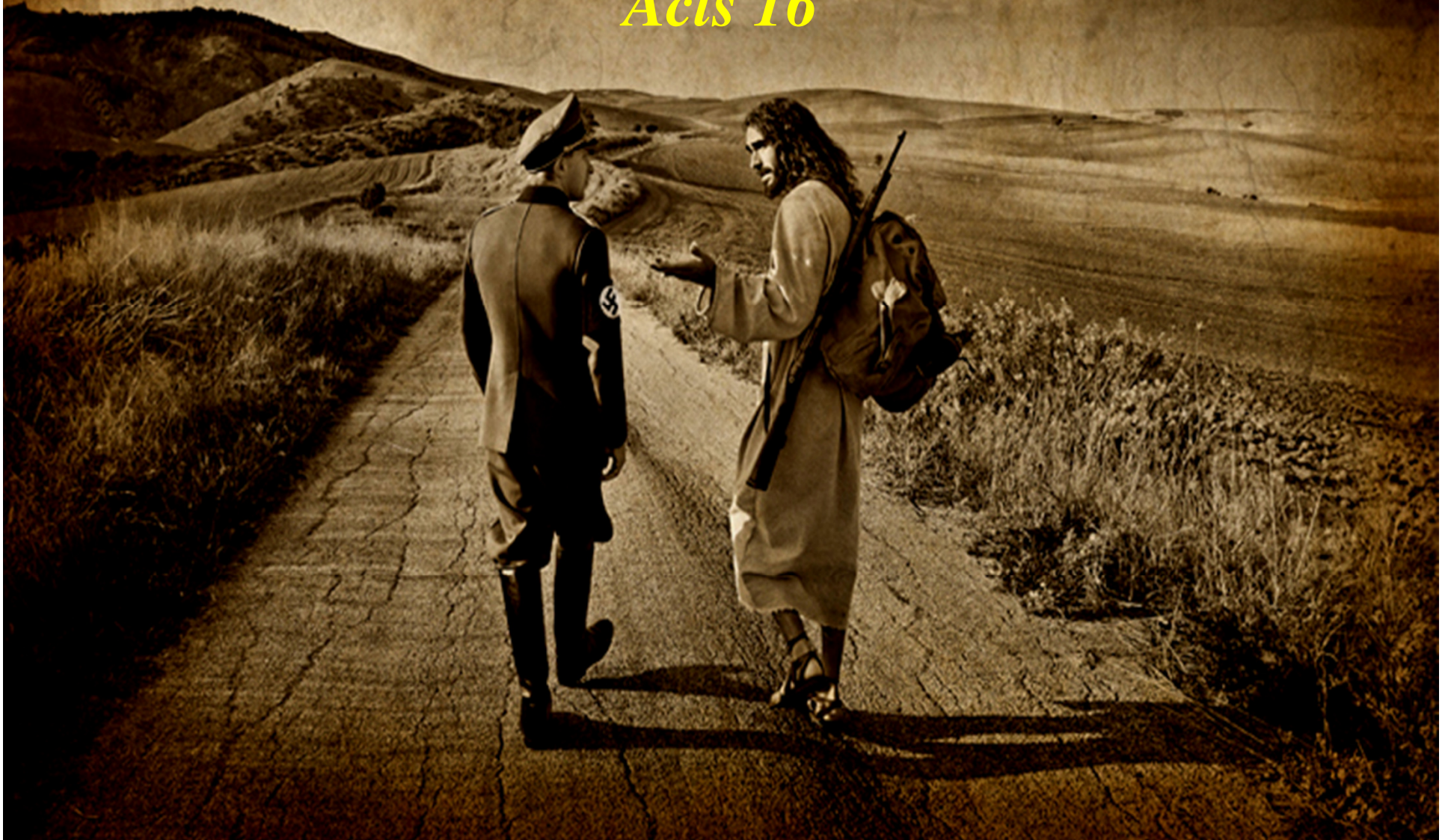


Walking the Extra Mile

Acts 16



²⁴“We understand that some men from here have troubled you and upset you with their teaching, but we did not send them! ²⁵So we decided, having come to complete agreement, to send you official representatives, along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, ²⁶who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁷We are sending Judas and Silas to confirm what we have decided concerning your question.

Acts 15:24-27 ^{NLT}

*²⁸“For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit
and to us to lay no greater burden on you
than these few requirements:*

*²⁹You must abstain from eating food offered to idols,
from consuming blood or the meat of strangled animals,
and from sexual immorality.*

If you do this, you will do well.

Farewell.”

Acts 15:28, 29^{NLT}

AND WHAT
DOES THE
LORD

REQUIRE ^{OF YOU}

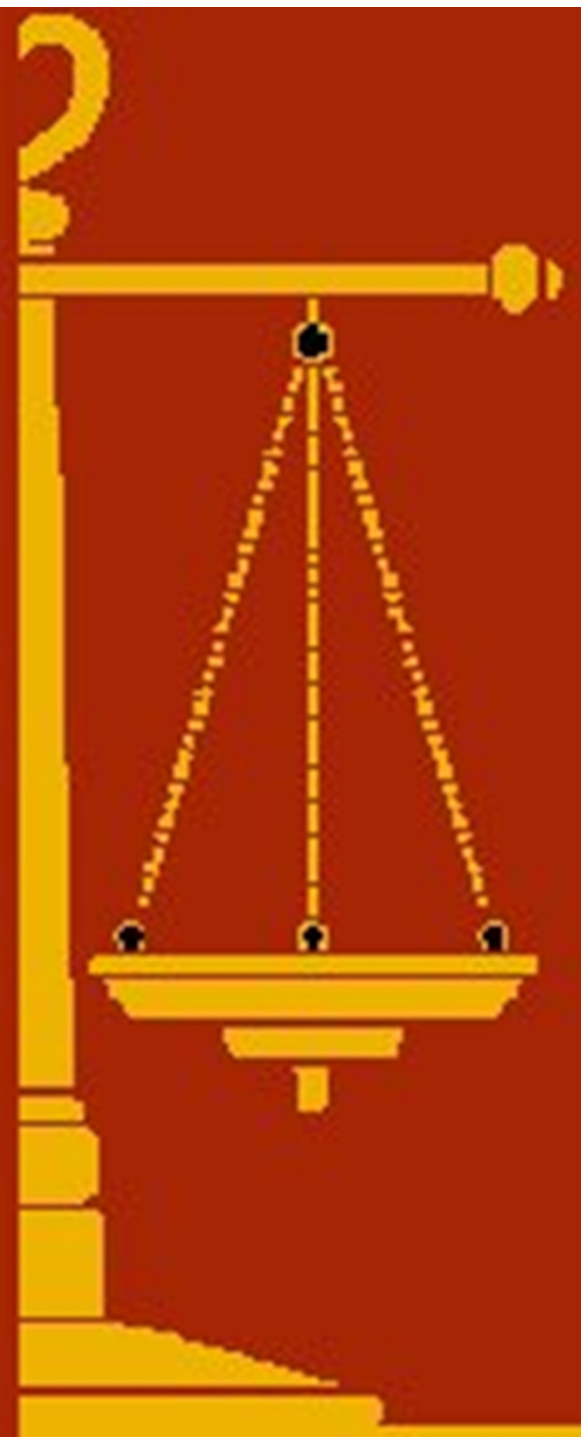
TO ACT
JUSTLY

AND TO LOVE
MERCY

AND TO WALK
HUMBLY

WITH YOUR
GOD.

M I C A H 6 : 8



*¹Paul went first to Derbe and then to Lystra,
where there was a young disciple named Timothy.*

*His mother was a Jewish believer,
but his father was a Greek.*

*²Timothy was well thought of
by the believers in Lystra and Iconium,*

*³so Paul wanted him to join
them on their journey.*

Acts 16:1-5 ^{NLT}

*In deference to the Jews of the area,
he arranged for Timothy to be circumcised
before they left, for everyone knew
that his father was a Greek.*

*⁴Then they went from town to town,
instructing the believers to follow the decisions
made by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem.*

*⁵So the churches were strengthened in their faith
and grew larger every day.*

Acts 16:1-5 ^{NLT}

*6The LORD of Heaven's Armies says to the priests:
"A son honors his father, and a servant respects his master.
If I am your father and master, where are the honor and
respect I deserve? You have shown contempt for my name!
"But you ask, 'How have we ever shown contempt
for your name?'"7 "You have shown contempt by offering
defiled sacrifices on my altar. "Then you ask,
'How have we defiled the sacrifices?'*

Malachi 1:6, 7a^{NLT}

“You defile them by saying the altar of the LORD deserves no respect. ⁸When you give blind animals as sacrifices, isn’t that wrong? And isn’t it wrong to offer animals that are crippled and diseased? Try giving gifts like that to your governor, and see how pleased he is!” says the LORD of Heaven’s Armies. ⁹“Go ahead, beg God to be merciful to you! But when you bring that kind of offering, why should he show you any favor at all?” asks the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.

Malachi 1:7b-9 ^{NLT}

¹⁰“How I wish one of you would shut the Temple doors so that these worthless sacrifices could not be offered! I am not pleased with you,” says the LORD of Heaven’s Armies, “and I will not accept your offerings.

¹¹But my name is honored by people of other nations from morning till night. All around the world they offer sweet incense and pure offerings in honor of my name.

*For my name is great among the nations,”
says the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.*

Malachi 1:10, 11 ^{NLT}

Don't miss the opportunity!

