

the difference maker

Using My Every Day to Impact the Eternal

My Worship Can Make a Difference
Sunday, September 12 | Tommy Duke
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Acts 16:19-34 – Paul & Silas Worship in Jail

¹⁹ . . . so they grabbed Paul and Silas and dragged them before the authorities at the marketplace. ²⁰ "The whole city is in an uproar because of these Jews!" they shouted. ²¹ "They are teaching the people to do things that are against Roman customs." ²² A mob quickly formed against Paul and Silas, and the city officials ordered them stripped and beaten with wooden rods. ²³ They were severely beaten, and then they were thrown into prison. The jailer was ordered to make sure they didn't escape. ²⁴ So he took no chances but put them into the inner dungeon and clamped their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ Around midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening. ²⁶ Suddenly, there was a great earthquake, and the prison was shaken to its foundations. All the doors flew open, and the chains of every prisoner fell off! ²⁷ The jailer woke up to see the prison doors wide open. He assumed the prisoners had escaped, so he drew his sword to kill himself. ²⁸ But Paul shouted to him, "Don't do it! We are all here!" ²⁹ Trembling with fear, the jailer called for lights and ran to the dungeon and fell down before Paul and Silas.

³⁰ He brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They replied, "Believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, along with your entire household." ³² Then they shared the word of the Lord with him and all who lived in his household. ³³ That same hour the jailer washed their wounds, and he and everyone in his household were immediately baptized. ³⁴ Then he brought them into his house and set a meal before them. He and his entire household rejoiced because they all believed in God.

Difference Maker Principle:

My response to pressure opens
up doors to share my faith.

THE FIVE HABITS OF A WORSHIP-FULL LIFE:

1. _____.

"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success." – Joshua 1:8

My Rating (1-10): _____

2. _____.

“And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.” – Hebrews 10:25 (NLT)

My Rating (1-10): _____

3. _____.

“And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.” – Acts 5:42

My Rating (1-10): _____

4. _____.

“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do,’ says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies, ‘I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won’t have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!’” – Malachi 3:10 (NLT)

My Rating (1-10): _____

5. _____.

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” – Acts 1:8

Memory Verse:

“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;” – 1 Peter 3:15

My Rating (1-10): _____

“Then he 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, along with everyone in your household.’” – Acts 16:30-31 (NLT)

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize 1 Peter 3:15.
- Focus this week on being “Worship-Full” in my:
 - Daily Devotions Worship Attendance Giving
 - Sunday School/Group Participation Witnessing
- Begin praying for and inviting friends to FBC’s Fall Kickoff on Sunday, October 3.
- Sign up to attend The Difference Maker Seminar this Wednesday, September 15, and Wednesday, September 22, at 7:00pm.

**Join Us Next Sunday for
The Difference Maker – Part 3
“My Preparation Can Make a Difference”**

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