

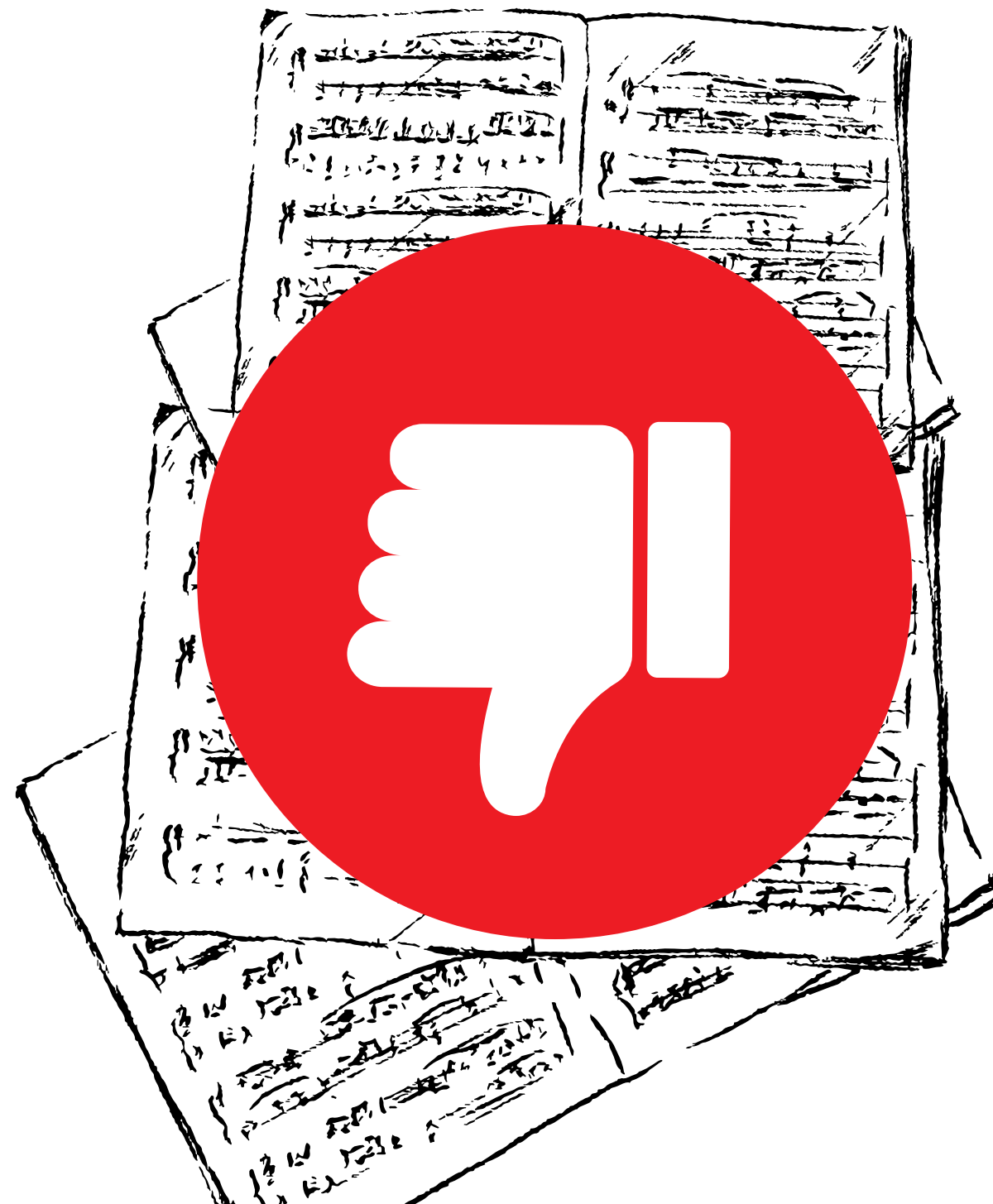
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ACTS 16

WHO DO YOU BLAME?

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“BLAME THE PERFORMER, NOT THE PEN.”

“Twisted words and motives don’t make
God into a liar.

Keep your faith; the problem is
human representation and misinterpretation,
not the Divine truth.”

**FALSE VOICES MAY WOUND, BUT THEY
CANNOT ERASE THE TRUTH WE TEACH**

2 TIMOTHY 4:2

“Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.”

1 THESSALONIANS 2:4–5

“But just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, **not to please man**, but to please God who **tests our hearts**. For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness.”

PSALM 19:14

“Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of **my heart** be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.”

ACTS 16:23

After they had been severely flogged,
they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was
commanded to guard them carefully.

POST PPP

PREACHING PRAYER PRAISE = PRISON

PPP THAT INTERRUPTS THE SYSTEMS & PATTERNS OF THE WORLD

THAT SAME PPP CAUSED AN EARTHQUAKE THAT FREED EVERYBODY

ACTS 16:29–35

29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas.

30 He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

31 They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.”

32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house.

33 At that hour of the night **the jailer took them and washed their wounds**; then immediately he and all his household were baptized.

34 **The jailer brought** them into his house and **set a meal before them**; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

35 When it was daylight, the magistrates sent their officers to **the jailer with the order: “Release those men.”**

ACTS 16:36–40

36 The jailer told Paul, “The magistrates have ordered that you and Silas be released. Now you can leave. Go in peace.”

37 But Paul said to the officers: “They beat us publicly without a trial, **even though we are Roman citizens, and threw us into prison.**

And now do they want to get rid of us quietly?

No! Let them come themselves and escort us out.”

38 The officers reported this to the magistrates, and **when they heard that Paul and Silas were Roman citizens, they were alarmed.**

39 **They came to appease them and escorted them from the prison, requesting them to leave the city.**

40 After Paul and Silas came out of the prison, they went to Lydia’s house, where they met with the brothers and sisters and encouraged them. Then they left.

Acts 16:37

“But Paul said to the magistrates, ‘They have beaten us publicly, **condemned, men who are Roman citizens**, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out.’”



ACTS 22:25–29

Paul declares his Roman citizenship to avoid being flogged by Roman soldiers, showing that Roman citizenship protected against such punishment without trial.

ACTS 25:10–12

Paul appeals to Caesar, exercising his legal right as a Roman citizen to have his case heard by the Emperor himself.

EVEN IN JOSEPHUS' ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS

THE JEWISH HISTORIAN JOSEPHUS MENTIONS ROMAN CITIZENSHIP AND ITS PRIVILEGES IN VARIOUS PLACES, EMPHASIZING THE LEGAL PROTECTIONS CITIZENS ENJOYED.