

# LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN

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## TITLE: REACHING FORTH

*“Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 3:12-14)*

## INTRODUCTION

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### The Church at Philippi

**Lydia**—extracted purple from a Murex sea shell

*“And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.” (Acts 16:14)*

**Demon Possessed Girl**—used as a victim of human trafficking by her owners for profit

*“And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:” (Acts 16:16)*

*“Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.” (1 John 4:4)*

**Prison Keeper**—The Apostle Paul was placed in jail for helping the slave girl, and while there, he leads the jailer to trust Christ.

*“And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” (Acts 26:31)*