

5. How did Christ show his sufficiency for the missionaries in the radical change that took place in Troas (vv. 9-10)?
6. A few brief sentences tell the story of the missionaries' travels in verses 6-8, but the journey consumed weeks as they traveled hundreds of miles on foot. The Holy Spirit could have told them to go to Troas—even to cross over to Macedonia—while they were still in Derbe or Lystra (Acts 16:1). What value can you see in the Holy Spirit's delay in guiding them to Macedonia?
7. Think again of the times you recalled in question 4. What did you learn through the experience of waiting for guidance?
8. After Paul received the vision, what was the missionaries' responsibility?
9. While visions such as Paul's do happen, the Lord usually guides in other less dramatic ways. What principles do you use to determine the Lord's leading?

10. Right now, in what area(s) of your life do you need clearer direction?
11. When Paul and his companions were blocked from ministering in one area, they tried other places. How can you follow their example of investigating possibilities even while waiting for guidance?



*Pray that you will believe with heart and mind that the Lord is fully able to guide you in the way he wants. Pray also for courage to go ahead when the way is clear.*

#### NOW OR LATER

Consider again your responses to questions 10 and 11. Find objects to represent those areas in which you want clearer direction from the Lord. Any objects will do. Place them where you will see them often and let them remind you of the assurance of guidance as well as your need to be aware of how the Lord might be guiding you.