

“Divine Detours”

Series: “Real Christianity: How It Changed the World.”, Part 6 of 13
Sunday, July 19, 2026, at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Text: Acts 16

And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. - Acts 16:6 (ESV)

I. Make Faithful Plans

And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. - Acts 16:7 (ESV)

II. Try the Handle

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.” - Matthew 7:7–8 (ESV)

III. Don’t Let False Starts Derail You

So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. - Acts 16:8 (ESV)

And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we

sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. - Acts 16:9–10 (ESV)

IV. Welcome Divine Detours