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• Lydia would be among the first converts in Philippi (vss. 14-15).

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• from Thyatira

- a seller of purple fabrics
 - A worshipper of God

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and the Lord opened her heart to respond to the things spoken by Paul. And when she and her
household had been baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

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- While many were converted, Paul was forced to flee once the Jews started persecuting the brethren (vss. 4-10).

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Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.

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Therefore many of them believed, along with a number of prominent Greek women and men.

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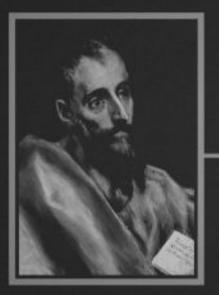
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