

Bible Backgrounds: Prisons & Jails

"For which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, even to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained." 2 Timothy 2:9 (New King James Version)

We should not insert our own _____ into our Bible _____.

Imprisonment In The Old Testament

A. Some famous righteous people were imprisoned:

1. Genesis 40:14,15 - _____ was in prison, and he wanted to get _____. He referred to the place as a _____.
2. Judges 16:21 - _____ was bound with _____ fetters, and became a _____ in prison.
3. Jeremiah 37:15,20 - A scribe's _____ was turned into a _____, and the prophet pleaded to get out "lest I _____".
4. Prisons were a place to await _____, or a place to do _____ to pay off one's _____.

B. Numbers 35:9-34 - _____ of _____ were another form of confinement for those guilty of _____.

C. _____ is a major theme of the Old Testament. _____ were to be held as soon as possible, and _____ was to be applied _____.

Imprisonment In The New Testament

A. 2 Timothy 1:8, 15-17 - Paul was a _____ of the _____, but some were _____ of him. Not Onesiphorus; he _____ Paul.

B. Examples of imprisonment in the New Testament:

1. Matthew 18:30 - Some were imprisoned for their _____.
2. Acts 5:18-19,23-24 - The _____ were put in prison, kept behind guarded _____.
3. Acts 8:3 - _____ and _____ were put in prison together.
4. Acts 16:23-27 - _____ and _____ were put in the _____ prison and their _____ put into _____. Other _____ were there, too. The jailer knew that he would be _____ if his prisoners _____.
5. 2 Corinthians 11:23 - Paul was in _____ more _____.

C. 2 Timothy 2:9 - Though Paul was often in _____, the _____ of God was not _____.

Hebrews 13:3 - Christians were to _____ prisoners, as if _____ with them.

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