

“What formerly went into Paul’s gain column—his power, prestige, and ‘obedience’—now goes into his loss column. Likewise, the crucified Messiah, whom he had assumed must be a ‘loss,’ is now seen as the ultimate ‘gain.’”

Sean McDonough

“God’s purposes are good and God is at work in the worst of times... He is at work doing a thousand things no one can see but Him.”

John Piper

“All the perplexing turns in our lives are going somewhere good. They do not lead off of a cliff. In all the setbacks of our lives as believers, God is plotting for our joy.”

John Piper

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.”

Acts 16:9

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

Acts 16:25

For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

Hebrews 8:12

forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:13-14