

Summary /
Troas

ACTS 16: 1-10.

Red letter day in Paul's life -

Bithynia - rich - pleasant - fair -
Plan broken - way blocked -

Doors opened at Troas -

LEFT-OVERS of a broken plan.

Troas the second best - Triumph -
all great living involves such a victory

Phillips Brooks - Sir Walter Scott
what enabled Paul to succeed?

1. Knew of God's Purpose - [He
never leads one into a place where
all doors are shut.] His life was
guided from above.

Judson - India & Burma.
Doors opened in " " -
Joseph -

2. He loved people -
Refused to "Pity himself."
Paul & "self-pity" -
"Call for help" makes us strong

We forget open doors & ~~put~~
ourselves - Picture ourselves
[Lesson from the oyster -] ^{defeated}
make a pearl -

3. He pictured victory &
instantly set about the task
Victory certain -

4. Divine Grace to see
us through.
Victory not defeat -

hindrance - sure guidance (not clear)
see a single step -
discouragements

Some perils

1. Weakening of purpose
2. Discouragement
3. Impatience -

Conditions of Success

1. Faith - Trust in God -
2. Love is central secret of Success