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EXPOSITORY

Many false and non-biblical doctrines have emerged from the improper exegesis of 1 Peter 3:19. Some proclaim this verse as evidentiary for a purgatory doctrine while others claim this verse as evidence of Jesus descending into hell. Both positions are false. This is neither purgatory, for such a place does not exist according to Scripture, nor is this hell, the place of punishment for the wicked, the abode of the unsaved.

Upon an exegetical examination of this verse and an examination of the context of the verse, all false teachings and non-biblical conjecture are dispelled.

1 Peter 3:19

in which also He went <4198 poreuomai> and made proclamation <2784 kerusso> to the spirits [now] in prison <5438 phulake>,

The three key terms in this verse are πορευομαι poreuomai (*por-yoo'-om-ahee*), κηρυσσω kerusso (*kay-roos'-so*) and φυλακη phulake (*foo-lak-ay'*); 4198, 2784, and 5438 respectively in the Strong's Greek Concordance of the Holy Bible.

The term *poreuomai* means to go, leave or depart. Some suggest the term carries the meaning to descend, but the Greek verb has no such meaning associated to it. It simply means a departure or going. Whether that going is descending or ascending, a casual walk, a journey or mission is secondary and irrelevant. The term simply means moving from one place to another, in any form, manner or purpose.

The second key word in First Peter is *kerusso* which means to formally proclaim or publish in a manner and means that carries gravity and an authority which must be listened to and obeyed. The term *kerusso* is used almost exclusively in the New Testament of the public proclamation of Jesus, the gospel and matters pertaining to Jesus and the gospel.

Matthew 10:7

"And as you **go** <4198 poreuomai>, **preach** <2784 kerusso>, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

The third and final term in this verse and the one which is primarily used to falsely claim Jesus went to hell between His death and Resurrection is the Greek noun *phulake*. Phulake means to guard or watch, as persons in jail or prison are guarded and watched. It is also used to denote the tour of duty or time periods where the police or night watchmen are on duty and charged to keep watch in their service of guarding and protecting its citizens and their property.

Matthew 14:25

And in the fourth watch <5438 phulake>,of the night He came to them, walking on the sea.

In the time of Jesus, the Jews adopted the Roman custom of dividing the night into 4 watches as the gospel of Matthew illustrates.

Matthew 24:43

"But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night <5438 phulake>, the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.

Phulake is used to designate the persons, the guards, who keep watch over their prisoners or **citizens**...

Acts 12:10

When they had passed the first and second **guard <5438 phulake>**, they came to the iron gate that leads into the city, which opened for them by itself; and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel departed from him.

... and also for shepherds who watch over, guard and protect their sheep.

Luke 2:8

¶ In the same region there were [some] shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch <5438 phulake>, over their flock by night.

The term means one who is confined and confinement is usually indicative of jail or prison, but as the above verses illustrate, not always. Those under protection are confined in the sense that a shepherd watches over his sheep confined to a designated flock, or citizens designated as residents of a specific tribe, town or city.

1 Peter 3:19 may rightly be understood in this context; (1) The spiritually dead who are alive upon the earth awaiting their Salvation from Messiah Jesus and (2) The righteous dead confined by God in Paradise where He is watching over and protecting those who are waiting for their Savior, their Redeemer to come for them.

Luke 4:18

"THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM <2784 kerusso> RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,

Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer proclaimed the Good News of Salvation to those in bondage or captive to sin living upon the earth and also to those confined to Paradise, the place of protection and reward until the first coming of Messiah. The righteous saved of the Old Testament are saved by grace through faith as they looked forward to their coming Messiah in the same way that we who are saved by grace through faith in Messiah Jesus who came, died and rose from the dead in 31 AD.

We know that "works" can NEVER be sufficient for salvation. God instituted and established Mosaic Law under the Old Covenant as His system of "works" for His people. Those who worked "by faith" are saved or redeemed by grace just as we are who live under the New Covenant. The righteous redeemed were "confined" to Paradise ... certainly not a bad place to be, but inadequate when compared to being "with" God in heaven. The spirits in Paradise still awaited their Redeemer, the prophesied Messiah to "redeem" them before they could be in the presence of God. The books of Romans and Hebrews specifically address the truths concerning this.

1 Peter 4:6

For the gospel has for this purpose been preached **even to those who are dead**, that though they are judged in the flesh as men, they may live in the spirit according to [the will of] God.

The dead in the above verse is referring to two categories of people. Category 1 is the spiritually dead living upon the earth who become converted and saved through the gospel of Jesus the Messiah; Category 2 is the physically dead who are spiritually alive and confined to Paradise or Abraham's bosom where Jesus the Messiah went to reveal Himself and the gospel.

The physically dead who are spiritually alive abide in Paradise are those to whom the gospel was preached by Jesus Himself during the three day time period between His death upon the Cross and Resurrection to physical life. The physically dead who died while being spiritually dead are the spirits of the unsaved dead who abide in Hades and await their final judgment after the second advent of Messiah Jesus.

Jesus personally proclaimed the gospel to those who "by faith" awaited His first advent. This is a continuation of the context of First Peter that began in chapter 3.

Jesus proclaimed Himself and revealed Himself to the spirits confined to Paradise that He is their long awaited Messiah, and that He Himself is the fulfillment of the Scriptures and gospel of His coming.

Romans 10:6-8

- But the righteousness based on faith speaks as follows: "DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?' (that is, to bring Christ down),
- or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)."
- 8 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, in your mouth and in your heart"—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching,

Paul says the righteous "**DO NOT**" think or doubt about the completeness of their Salvation when Messiah comes for them. Paul is speaking of the kind of saving faith from God that there is no need or reason for the saved to hope and pray for someone

to go up to heaven and "fetch" Messiah ... nor to go down to Paradise (the place of the righteous dead) to bring the Messiah up again. Some use this verse to say Christ went into Hell ... but this is NOT what this verse is teaching at all as the verse explains itself. The abyss in Romans 10:7 is referring to the state of physical death, not hell.

Romans 10:7 or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)."

Remember what we have been taught by Jesus Himself in Luke 16? Paradise and Hades are both abodes of the physically dead. **Hades** is the place where the *unsaved dead* abide and **Paradise** is where the *righteous dead* abide, those saved by grace through faith. In Luke 16:19-31 Jesus reveals aspects of Paradise and Hades in parable of Lazarus and the rich man. Hades is a place of torment and Paradise, also called Abraham's bosom, is a place of bliss and comfort. The two places are separated by an impenetrable gulf or chasm that neither may cross over from one to the other.

Jesus, when he died upon the cross descended into Paradise, Abraham's bosom and proclaimed the gospel to the righteous dead.

Luke 23:43

And He said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise."

Paradise was *not yet* located in heaven, and those confined to Paradise were *not yet ascended* to heaven to be with God.

John 3:13

"No one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven: the Son of Man.

Jesus brought Paradise and those "confined" to Paradise up to heaven with Him at His ascension into heaven. Paradise is now located in heaven and all those in Paradise are now in heaven with God and the angels (Revelation 2.)

Jesus' very own words that He spoke to Mary after He arose from the dead is proof positive that He did not ascend into heaven with The Father between His death and Resurrection.

John 20:17

Jesus *said to her, "Stop clinging to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God."

EXEGESIS

4198 πορευομαι poreuomai (por-yoo'-om-ahee)

middle voice from a derivative of the same as $\underline{3984}$ from $\pi o \rho o \varsigma$ poros (a ford, passage); TDNT-6:566,915; v; to go:—

AV-go 117, depart 11, walk 9, go (one's) way 8, misc 9; 154

NAS-accompany* (1), am on my way (1), depart (1), departed (1), departure (1), following (3), go (69), go on their way (1), go away (1), goes (7), going (15), going away (2), gone (3), indulge (1), journey (1), journeying (2), leave (1), proceed (1), proceeded (2), pursued a course (1), sets (1), started (3), traveling (3), walking (1), way (6), went (22), went His way (1), went on their way (1), went their way (1).

- 1) to lead over, carry over, transfer
 - 1a) to pursue the journey on which one has entered, to continue on one's journey
 - 1b) to depart from life
 - 1c) to follow one, that is: become his adherent
 - 1c1) to lead or order one's life

For Synonyms see entry 5818

2784 κηρυσσω kerusso (kay-roos'-so)

of uncertain affinity; TDNT-3:697,430; v; to be a herald, proclaim:—

AV-preach 51, publish 5, proclaim 2, preached + 2258 2, preacher 1; 61

NAS-made proclamation (1), preach (16), preached (10), preacher (1), preaches (2), preaching (11), proclaim (8), proclaimed (6), proclaiming (6).

- 1) to be a herald, to officiate as a herald
 - 1a) to proclaim after the manner of a herald
 - 1b) always with the suggestion of formality, gravity and an authority which must be listened to and obeyed
- 2) to publish, proclaim openly: something which has been done
- 3) used of the public proclamation of the gospel and matters pertaining to it, made by John the Baptist, by Jesus, by the apostles and other Christian teachers

Scriptures

Matthew 3:1 Now in those days John the Baptist *came, preaching <2784 kerusso> in the wilderness of Judea, saying,

Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to **preach <2784 kerusso>** and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matthew 4:23 Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and **proclaiming <2784 kerusso>** the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people.

- Matthew 9:35 Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and **proclaiming <2784 kerusso>** the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.
- Matthew 10:7 "And as you go, **preach <2784 kerusso>**, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'
- Matthew 10:27 "What I tell you in the darkness, speak in the light; and what you hear *whispered* in *your* ear, **proclaim** <2784 kerusso> upon the housetops.
- Matthew 11:1 When Jesus had finished giving instructions to His twelve disciples, He departed from there to teach and **preach <2784 kerusso>** in their cities.
- Matthew 24:14 "This gospel of the kingdom shall be **preached <2784 kerusso>** in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.
- Matthew 26:13 "Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is **preached <2784 kerusso>** in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."
- Mark 1:4 John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness **preaching <2784 kerusso>** a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.
- Mark 1:7 And he was **preaching <2784 kerusso>**, and saying, "After me One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to stoop down and untie the thong of His sandals.
- Mark 1:14 Now after John had been taken into custody, Jesus came into Galilee, **preaching** <2784 kerusso> the gospel of God,
- Mark 1:38 He *said to them, "Let us go somewhere else to the towns nearby, so that I may **preach** <2784 kerusso> there also; for that is what I came for."
- Mark 1:39 And He went into their synagogues throughout all Galilee, **preaching <2784 kerusso>** and casting out the demons.
- Mark 1:45 But he went out and began to **proclaim <2784 kerusso>** it freely and to spread the news around, to such an extent that Jesus could no longer publicly enter a city, but stayed out in unpopulated areas; and they were coming to Him from everywhere.
- Mark 3:14 And He appointed twelve, so that they would be with Him and that He *could* send them out to **preach** <2784 kerusso>,
- Mark 5:20 And he went away and began to **proclaim <2784 kerusso>** in Decapolis what great things Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.
- Mark 6:12 They went out and **preached <2784 kerusso>** that *men* should repent.
- Mark 7:36 And He gave them orders not to tell anyone; but the more He ordered them, the more widely they continued to **proclaim <2784 kerusso>** it.
- Mark 13:10 "The gospel must first be **preached <2784 kerusso>** to all the nations.
- Mark 14:9 "Truly I say to you, wherever the gospel is **preached <2784 kerusso>** in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."
- Mark 16:15 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and **preach <2784 kerusso>** the gospel to all creation.
- Mark 16:20 And they went out and **preached <2784 kerusso>** everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed.]] [[And they promptly reported all these instructions to Peter and his companions. And after that, Jesus Himself sent out through them from east to west the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.]]
- Luke 3:3 And he came into all the district around the Jordan, **preaching <2784 kerusso>** a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins;

- Luke 4:18 "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM <2784 kerusso> RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,
- Luke 4:19 TO PROCLAIM <2784 kerusso> THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD."
- Luke 4:44 So He kept on **preaching <2784 kerusso>** in the synagogues of Judea.
- Luke 8:1 Soon afterwards, He *began* going around from one city and village to another, **proclaiming <2784 kerusso>** and preaching the kingdom of God. The twelve were with Him,
- Luke 8:39 "Return to your house and describe what great things God has done for you." So he went away, **proclaiming <2784 kerusso>** throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.
- Luke 9:2 And He sent them out to **proclaim <2784 kerusso>** the kingdom of God and to perform healing.
- Luke 12:3 "Accordingly, whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in the inner rooms will be **proclaimed <2784 kerusso>** upon the housetops.
- Luke 24:47 and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be **proclaimed <2784 kerusso>** in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
- Acts 8:5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria and *began* **proclaiming** <2784 kerusso> Christ to them.
- Acts 9:20 and immediately he *began* to **proclaim <2784 kerusso>** Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."
- Acts 10:37 you yourselves know the thing which took place throughout all Judea, starting from Galilee, after the baptism which John **proclaimed <2784 kerusso>.**
- Acts 10:42 "And He ordered us to **preach <2784 kerusso>** to the people, and solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead.
- Acts 15:21 "For Moses from ancient generations has in every city those who **preach <2784 kerusso>** him, since he is read in the synagogues every Sabbath."
- Acts 19:13 But also some of the Jewish exorcists, who went from place to place, attempted to name over those who had the evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, "I adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preaches <2784 kerusso>."
- Acts 20:25 "And now, behold, I know that all of you, among whom I went about **preaching** <2784 kerusso> the kingdom, will no longer see my face.
- Acts 28:31 **preaching <2784 kerusso>** the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.
- Romans 2:21 you, therefore, who teach another, do you not teach yourself? You who **preach** <2784 kerusso> that one shall not steal, do you steal?
- Romans 10:8 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, in your mouth and in your heart"—that is, the word of faith which we are **preaching <2784 kerusso>**,
- Romans 10:14 How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a **preacher** <2784 kerusso>?

- Romans 10:15 How will they **preach <2784 kerusso>** unless they are sent? Just as it is written, "HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS OF GOOD THINGS!"
- 1 Corinthians 1:23 but we **preach <2784 kerusso>** Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness,
- 1 Corinthians 9:27 but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have **preached** <2784 kerusso> to others, I myself will not be disqualified.
- 1 Corinthians 15:11 Whether then *it was* I or they, so we **preach <2784 kerusso>** and so you believed.
- 1 Corinthians 15:12 Now if Christ is **preached <2784 kerusso>**, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?
- 2 Corinthians 1:19 For the Son of God, Christ Jesus, who was **preached <2784 kerusso>** among you by us—by me and Silvanus and Timothy—was not yes and no, but is yes in Him.
- 2 Corinthians 4:5 For we do not **preach <2784 kerusso>** ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake.
- 2 Corinthians 11:4 For if one comes and **preaches <2784 kerusso>** another Jesus whom we have not **preached <2784 kerusso>**, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, you bear *this* beautifully.
- Galatians 2:2 It was because of a revelation that I went up; and I submitted to them the gospel which I **preach <2784 kerusso>** among the Gentiles, but *I did so* in private to those who were of reputation, for fear that I might be running, or had run, in vain.
- Galatians 5:11 But I, brethren, if I still **preach <2784 kerusso>** circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished.
- Philippians 1:15 Some, to be sure, are **preaching <2784 kerusso>** Christ even from envy and strife, but some also from good will;
- Colossians 1:23 if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was **proclaimed <2784 kerusso>** in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister.
- 1 Thessalonians 2:9 For you recall, brethren, our labor and hardship, *how* working night and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we **proclaimed <2784 kerusso>** to you the gospel of God.
- 1 Timothy 3:16 By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh, Was vindicated in the Spirit, Seen by angels, **Proclaimed <2784 kerusso>** among the nations, Believed on in the world. Taken up in glory.
- 2 Timothy 4:2 **preach <2784 kerusso>** the word; be ready in season *and* out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.
- 1 Peter 3:19 in which also He went and **made proclamation <2784 kerusso>** to the spirits *now* in prison,
- Revelation 5:2 And I saw a strong angel **proclaiming <2784 kerusso>** with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?"

5438 φυλακη phulake (foo-lak-ay')

from 5442; TDNT-9:241,1280; n f; a guarding, guard, watch:--

AV-prison 36, watch 6, imprisonment 2, hold 1, cage 1, ward 1; 47

NAS-guard (1), imprisonment (1), imprisonments (2), prison (34), prisons (3), time of the night (1), watch (4).

1) guard, watch

1a) a watching, keeping watch

1a1) to keep watch

- 1b) persons keeping watch, a guard, sentinels
- 1c) of the place where captives are kept, a prison

1d) of the time (of night) during which guard was kept, a watch i.e. a period of time during which part of the guard was on duty, and at the end of which others relieved them. As the earlier Greeks divided the night commonly into three parts, so, previous to the exile, the Israelites also had three watches in a night; subsequently, however, after they became subject to the Romans, they adopted the Roman custom of dividing the night into four watches

Scriptures

Matthew 5:25 "Make friends quickly with your opponent at law while you are with him on the way, so that your opponent may not hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and you be thrown into **prison** <5438 phulake>.

Matthew 14:3 For when Herod had John arrested, he bound him and put him in **prison** <5438 **phulake>** because of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip.

Matthew 14:10 He sent and had John beheaded in the prison <5438 phulake>.

Matthew 14:25 And in the fourth watch <5438 phulake> of the night He came to them, walking on the sea.

Matthew 18:30 "But he was unwilling and went and threw him in **prison <5438 phulake>** until he should pay back what was owed.

Matthew 24:43 "But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what **time of the night <5438 phulake>** the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.

Matthew 25:36 naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in **prison** <5438 phulake>, and you came to Me.'

Matthew 25:39 'When did we see You sick, or in **prison <5438 phulake>**, and come to You?'

Matthew 25:43 I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in **prison <5438 phulake>**, and you did not visit Me.'

Matthew 25:44 "Then they themselves also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in **prison <5438 phulake>**, and did not take care of You?'

Mark 6:17 For Herod himself had sent and had John arrested and bound in **prison** <5438 **phulake>** on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, because he had married her.

Mark 6:27 Immediately the king sent an executioner and commanded *him* to bring *back* his head. And he went and had him beheaded in the **prison** < 5438 phulake>,

- Mark 6:48 Seeing them straining at the oars, for the wind was against them, at about the fourth watch <5438 phulake> of the night He *came to them, walking on the sea; and He intended to pass by them.
- Luke 2:8 In the same region there were *some* shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch <5438 phulake> over their flock by night.
- Luke 3:20 Herod also added this to them all: he locked John up in prison <5438 phulake>.
- Luke 12:38 "Whether he comes in the second watch <5438 phulake>, or even in the third, and finds *them* so, blessed are those *slaves*.
- Luke 12:58 "For while you are going with your opponent to appear before the magistrate, on *your* way *there* make an effort to settle with him, so that he may not drag you before the judge, and the judge turn you over to the officer, and the officer throw you into **prison** <5438 phulake>.
- Luke 21:12 "But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, delivering you to the synagogues and **prisons** <5438 phulake>, bringing you before kings and governors for My name's sake.
- Luke 22:33 But he said to Him, "Lord, with You I am ready to go both to **prison <5438 phulake>** and to death!"
- Luke 23:19 (He was one who had been thrown into **prison <5438 phulake>** for an insurrection made in the city, and for murder.)
- Luke 23:25 And he released the man they were asking for who had been thrown into **prison** <5438 phulake> for insurrection and murder, but he delivered Jesus to their will.
- John 3:24 for John had not yet been thrown into prison <5438 phulake>.
- Acts 5:19 But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the **prison** <5438 **phulake**>, and taking them out he said,
- Acts 5:22 But the officers who came did not find them in the **prison <5438 phulake>**; and they returned and reported back,
- Acts 5:25 But someone came and reported to them, "The men whom you put in **prison** <5438 **phulake>** are standing in the temple and teaching the people!"
- Acts 8:3 But Saul *began* ravaging the church, entering house after house, and dragging off men and women, he would put them in **prison** <5438 phulake>.
- Acts 12:4 When he had seized him, he put him in **prison <5438 phulake>**, delivering him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out before the people.
- Acts 12:5 So Peter was kept in the **prison <5438 phulake>**, but prayer for him was being made fervently by the church to God.
- Acts 12:6 On the very night when Herod was about to bring him forward, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and guards in front of the door were watching over the **prison** <5438 phulake>.
- Acts 12:10 When they had passed the first and second **guard <5438 phulake>**, they came to the iron gate that leads into the city, which opened for them by itself; and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel departed from him.
- Acts 12:17 But motioning to them with his hand to be silent, he described to them how the Lord had led him out of the **prison <5438 phulake>**. And he said, "Report these things to James and the brethren." Then he left and went to another place.

- Acts 16:23 When they had struck them with many blows, they threw them into **prison** <5438 **phulake**>, commanding the jailer to guard them securely;
- Acts 16:24 and he, having received such a command, threw them into the inner **prison** <5438 **phulake>** and fastened their feet in the stocks.
- Acts 16:27 When the jailer awoke and saw the **prison** <5438 phulake> doors opened, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped.
- Acts 16:37 But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us in public without trial, men who are Romans, and have thrown us into **prison <5438 phulake>**; and now are they sending us away secretly? No indeed! But let them come themselves and bring us out."
- Acts 16:40 They went out of the **prison <5438 phulake>** and entered *the house of* Lydia, and when they saw the brethren, they encouraged them and departed.
- Acts 22:4 "I persecuted this Way to the death, binding and putting both men and women into **prisons** <5438 phulake>,
- Acts 26:10 "And this is just what I did in Jerusalem; not only did I lock up many of the saints in **prisons** <5438 phulake>, having received authority from the chief priests, but also when they were being put to death I cast my vote against them.
- 2 Corinthians 6:5 in beatings, in **imprisonments <5438 phulake>**, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in hunger,
- 2 Corinthians 11:23 Are they servants of Christ?—I speak as if insane—I more so; in far more labors, in far more **imprisonments <5438 phulake>**, beaten times without number, often in danger of death.
- Hebrews 11:36 and others experienced mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment <5438 phulake>.
- 1 Peter 3:19 in which also He went and made proclamation to the spirits *now* in **prison** <5438 phulake>,
- Revelation 2:10 'Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into **prison <5438 phulake>**, so that you will be tested, and you will have tribulation for ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.
- Revelation 18:2 And he cried out with a mighty voice, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place of demons and a **prison <5438 phulake>** of every unclean spirit, and a **prison <5438 phulake>** of every unclean and hateful bird.
- Revelation 20:7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his **prison** <5438 phulake>,