



## Paul and Lydia

Acts 16:13-15

**Suggested setting:** The Prophets & Promises puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

**Characters:** Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to learn more about Jesus and the Bible. The leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, a farmer, etc.) The leader helps children focus on the puppets and leads group interaction.

**Leader** (Stands at puppet stage.)  
**It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.**  
**Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert Dehhhhhl-bert!"** (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of window.) **Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops head out of window.)

**Delbert**  
**Hee Haw! Hello everybody!**

**Lello** (bleats)  
**Yeah. Hello every-bahhh-dy.**

**Leader**  
**Lello, how is your special craft coming along?**

**Lello**  
**Great! I'm so thankful Delbert was able to come over and help me. He's the best.**

**Delbert**  
**Haw! Shucks. You're my best friend, Lello.**

**Leader**  
**You two are so sweet to each other.**

**Lello**  
**Yeah, well, I've been looking for Delbert all day. I'm so glad you're here at Praise Time.**

**Delbert**  
**You've been looking for me? Do you need more help?**

**Lello**  
**No. I wanted to see if you'd like to come over and have cookies with me. My mommy just made some.**

**Delbert**  
**Haw! I'd love to!**

**Leader**

Lello, that's so nice that you want to share. God likes when we share.

**Lello**

He does?

**Leader**

Yes. In our Bible story today, Paul meets a woman named Lydia.

**Delbert**

Haw! Did Paul share with Lydia?

**Leader**

Yes. Paul shared what he knew about Jesus with Lydia and her friends. Then, Lydia shared her house with Paul and his friends.

**Lello**

Yeah? How?

**Leader**

Lydia offered for them to stay at her house.

**Delbert**

Haw! That sure was nice of Lydia. And Lello, that sure is nice of you to share cookies with me.

**Lello**

Delbert, you're my best friend. I always like sharing with you. Come on. If we run, the cookies may still be nice and warm.

**Delbert**

Haw! Hurry! See you guys later!

**Lello**

Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

**Leader**

We'll see you soon. (All exit.)