

~APOLLONIA (19)

(Ap-ol-lo'ni-a) [Of or Belonging to Apollo, Place of Apollo]

- A city of Macedonia, named after the Greek sun-god **Apollo**, as were a number of other cities in the Mediterranean area. It was situated in the district of Mygdonia about 44 kilometers (27 miles) from Amphipolis and 56 kilometers (35 miles) from Thessalonica, or about one days travel from each.
- It lay on the great Roman highway, the *Via Egnatia*, South of Lake Bolbe, but it does not receive prominence in history. Paul and Silas passed through it on Paul's second missionary tour, most likely in the spring or early summer of the year **50 C.E.**
- They now journeyed through Amphipolis and **Apollonia** and came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. (**Acts of Apostles 17:1**)