

Paul Arrested: Third Missionary Journey Concluded

Introduction: Though he will be _____ by many not to go, Paul has his heart set on going to Jerusalem one more time. It will be God's way of ultimately getting the gospel to the Roman leaders of the day.

- I. The _____ (Acts 21:1-12)
- A. _____ Everywhere Paul went believers were warning him not to go to _____.
 - B. _____ Jerusalem is a city near to the _____ of God (Ps. 122:6; 137:5-6; 147:2).
 - C. _____ Jesus _____ the city of Jerusalem (Lu. 13:34-35).
 - D. _____ Believers need to spend _____ with believers.
 - E. _____ Spending time with believers can bring great _____ (2 Tim. 1:16).
 - F. _____ Philip settled down in Caesarea after preaching to the _____.
 - G. _____ He had _____ daughters who were greatly used of God.
 - H. _____ The Holy Spirit wasn't trying to keep Paul from going to Jerusalem, but was making sure he was _____ to suffer there for God's glory (Acts 9:15-16; Phil. 1:12; 2 Tim. 4:7-8).
- II. The _____ (Acts 21:13-26)
- A. _____ Paul was more than willing to give his _____ for the Lord Jesus.
 - B. _____ We will not all be called to give our life for Christ, but we should love Him to the extent that we are _____ to do so.
 - C. _____ Difficulties or opposition are not always signs of something being _____ God's will.
 - D. _____ Again, Paul lodged with a _____ of Christ.
 - E. _____ Paul was always sure to bring a _____ of his work to the churches.
 - F. _____ Rumors can _____ a minister or ministry.
 - G. _____ Paul did whatever it took to _____ people with the gospel (1 Cor. 9:19-23).
- III. The _____ (Acts 21:27-40)
- A. _____ The Jews _____ Paul because of his dealing with the Gentiles and his preaching of salvation through Christ alone.
 - B. _____ The Roman authorities were alerted of a riot in Jerusalem and were sent to _____ Paul from the Jews.
 - C. _____ The Romans did not care for religion and confused Paul with a cultic leader from _____.
 - D. _____ Being a citizen of a good Roman city, the guards granted him permission to _____ to the Jews from the barracks.
 - E. _____ Now Paul has a captive audience and the _____ he needed.
 - F. _____ God can turn a bad situation into our _____.

Conclusion: "Paul has made three missionary journeys. He is returning now, and it is almost like a wonderful victory march as he comes back into the city of Jerusalem" (McGee).