

172. Paul Goes to Jerusalem (Acts 21:1-36)

Prayer: Lord, You gave us Your Holy Spirit to show us Jesus. The Holy Spirit guides our life so we will follow Jesus. Please make us bold to always watch You and Your leading us. Don't let us become afraid of what might happen to us, but help us to trust You and Your plans for us. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Acts 21:1-7.

- Paul and the others are now traveling back to Jerusalem. The boat stopped in Tyre for a short time. While Paul was there, where did he go? (1) Popular nightclubs. (2) Fishing on the shore. (3) Local casino. (4) Church.
- What did the believers in Tyre tell Paul not to do? Did Paul listen to them?
- How did those believers show Christian love for Paul and the others with him?

Acts 21:8-11.

- What did Agabus tell Paul?
- Where did Agabus get his message?
- The believers in Tyre told Paul not to go to Jerusalem. Now Agabus tells Paul he will get tied up in Jerusalem. What is the Holy Spirit trying to tell Paul?

Acts 21:12-14.

- Paul's friends showed concern for Paul and tried to tell him not to go to Jerusalem. What did Paul think about going to Jerusalem?
- Was Paul wrong for wanting to go to Jerusalem? Or were his friends wrong for trying to stop him?

Acts 21:15-19.

- What did Paul do right away when they arrived in Jerusalem?

Acts 21:20-21.

- What did some Jews think Paul was teaching?

- Why did the church leaders glorify God?

Acts 21:22-26.

- Paul himself followed Jewish law, but some Jews didn't know that. What did the church leaders tell Paul to do?

- Paul told non-Jews they didn't have to follow Jewish law. But Paul still followed Jewish law. Why? (Don't think too hard about this.)

Acts 21:27-30.

- Some Jews recognized Paul in the temple. How would they know about Paul and his teachings?

- What did they say Paul did wrong? Were any of their accusations true?

Acts 21:31-36.

- What did the Jews want to do with Paul?

- The Holy Spirit warned Paul that when he went to Jerusalem, he will get arrested. Now Paul is in Jerusalem, arrested, and the Jews want to kill him. Is God still with Paul?