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THE BOOK OF
ACTS
LIFE IN THE SPIRIT



Acts 17: 1-15

Message + Mission + Multiply

Acts 17: 1 NIV

When Paul and his companions had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue.



MACEDONIA

THRACE

BLACK SEA

Some Jews cause uproar & attack Jason's House seeking for Paul & Silas

Philippi

Neapolis

Paul called to preach in Macedonia

Thessalonica

Apollonia

THASOS
SAMOTHRACE

MARMARA SEA

BITHYNIA

Berea

Bereans receive the Word

Paul speaks at the Areopagus

Paul meets Aquila & Priscilla Paul brought before Gallio

EUBOEA

Athens

Corinth

Cenchreae

ACHAIA

Sparta

LEMNOS

Assos

MYSIA

Paul forbidden by the Spirit to preach in Asia & Bithynia

ASIA

AEGEAN SEA

LESBOS

Mitylene

Pergamum

Thyatira

CHIOS

Sardis

Smyrna

Philadelphia

SAMOS

Ephesus

Hierapolis

Laodicea

Colossae

PHRYGIA

PATMOS

Milet

CARIA

LYCIA

PAMP

Atta

Patara

Acts 17: 2 NIV

As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,

Question

What seems to
always happen
when Paul goes
into the
synagogues?

Question

What does that
demonstrate in
Paul?

Please turn to:

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-2

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-2 NASB

*For you yourselves know,
brethren, that our coming
to you was not in vain, but
after we had already
suffered and been
mistreated in Philippi, as
you know,*

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-2 NASB

*we had the boldness in our
God to speak to you the
gospel of God amid much
opposition.*

Acts 17: 2 NIV

*As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he **reasoned** with them from the Scriptures,*

Question

What does
reasoned mean?

Reasoned is translated from the Greek word dielexato (Διελέξατο) which is the root word for our English word dialogue.

What does dialogue mean?

Dialogue- A conversation
between two or more
persons.

This indicates there was an
exchange of words,
questions and answers.

Please turn to:
Isaiah 1: 18

Isaiah 1: 18 NASB

*"Come now, and **let us reason together**," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool.*

Please turn to:
1 Peter 3: 15-17

1 Peter 3: 15-17 NIV

*But in your hearts revere
Christ as Lord.*

1 Peter 3: 15-17 NIV

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

1 Peter 3: 15-17 NIV

**keeping a clear
conscience, so that those
who speak maliciously
against your good behavior
in Christ may be
ashamed of their
slander.**

1 Peter 3: 15-17 NIV

For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.



SOLDIERS
DIE
4 FAG
MARRIAGE

DEATH
PENALTY
4
FAGS

AMERICA
IS
DOOMED

USA'S
DOOM

SAME-SEX
MARRIAGE
DOOMS
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CHRISTIANS
CAUSED
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AMERICA IS DOOMED

Acts 17: 2 NIV

As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,

Acts 17: 3 NIV

explaining and proving that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead. “This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Messiah,” he said.

Question

What was Paul
explaining and
proving?

Question

What was he using
to prove that Christ
was the Messiah?

Acts 17: 4 NIV

Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few prominent women.

Question

What does it mean
to be a prominent
woman?

Question

Why do you think
we see a large
number of women
coming to Christ?

Question

How were the
women generally
treated by the
Jews?

Please turn to:
Galatians 3: 28

Galatians 3: 28 NIV

There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Law of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation. — We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. — Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. — He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. — He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. — He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. — He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. — He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people. — He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within. — He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. — He has obstructed the

IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

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"WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT, THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL, THAT THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, THAT AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS."
-THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

John Hancock



Question

What is the force
behind the Church
growing in
Thessalonica?

Please turn to:

1 Thessalonians 1: 4-5

1 Thessalonians 1: 4-5 NIV

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.

Acts 17: 5 NIV

But other Jews were jealous; so they rounded up some bad characters from the marketplace, formed a mob and started a riot in the city. They rushed to Jason's house in search of Paul and Silas in order to bring them out to the crowd.

Question

Do we see that
today?

Please turn to:

Acts 19: 32

Acts 19: 32 NASB

So then, some were shouting one thing and some another, for the assembly was in confusion **and the majority did not know for what reason they had come together.**

Question

What happens in a mob rule society?

A painting of James Madison, an American Founding Father, depicted with a shocked and distressed expression. He is holding a modern smartphone in his hands, looking at the screen with wide, staring eyes. The background is dark and moody, emphasizing the contrast between the historical figure and the modern technology.

America Is Living James Madison's Nightmare

The Founders designed a government that would resist mob rule. They didn't anticipate how strong the mob could become.

The Dilemma

1. Our nation's laws were based on Biblical law and morality
2. If you violate our nation's laws you are in violation of God

The Dilemma

If our laws are based on God's law and if our citizens are God fearing then our nation will be at peace because the fear of God will ensure the nation's laws are followed.

The Dilemma

This peace is achieved because it is the fear of God and not the fear of man that produces compliance to our nation's laws.

The Dilemma

If our citizens do not fear God then our nation will be in turmoil because there is no fear of man and you cannot hire enough police to enforce man's laws and the end result is mobs will rule.

Who said this???

The great, vital, and conservative element in our system is the belief of our people in the pure doctrines and the divine truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Who said this???

Had the people, during the Revolution, had a suspicion of any attempt to war against Christianity, that Revolution would have been strangled in its cradle...

Who said this???

In this age, there can be no substitute for Christianity... That was the religion of the founders of the republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants.

The United States
Congress 1854!

Please turn to:
Proverbs 1: 8

Proverbs 1: 8 NIV

Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching.

The following is wise
instruction from one of our
nation's founding fathers

John Adams

Signer of Declaration of
Independence and 2nd

President of United States of
America

“Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.”

The only way to
maintain order in a
Godless society is to
be ruled by a dictator
that is feared by the
people.



Remember our study
of Daniel and
Revelation?

The world will
eventually get their
ultimate evil dictator!

Acts 17: 6 NIV

But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some other believers before the city officials, shouting: "These men who have caused trouble all over the world have now come here,

Acts 17: 6 ESV

And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, “These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also,

Acts 17: 7 NIV

and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar's decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus."

Acts 17: 8-9 NIV

When they heard this, the crowd and the city officials were thrown into turmoil.

Then they made Jason and the others post bond and let them go.

Acts 17: 11 NIV

As soon as it was night,
*the believers sent Paul and
Silas away to Berea. On
arriving there, they went to
the Jewish synagogue.*

Question

Why do you think that Paul and Silas left at night?

Acts 17: 10 NIV

As soon as it was night, the believers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue.



MACEDONIA

Egnatian Way
Philippi
THRACIA

Thessalonica

Berea 45 Miles

Amphipolis

Apollonia

Larisa

Aegean Sea

Troas

Assos

Mitylene

EPIRUS

Nicopolis

Delphi

Corinth

Athens

ACHAIA

Cenchreae

Acts 17: 11 NIV

*Now the Berean Jews were
of more noble character
than those in Thessalonica,
for they received the
message with great
eagerness and examined the
Scriptures every day to see if
what Paul said was true.*

Question

What does it mean
that they were of
more noble
character?

Acts 17: 12 NIV

As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.

Question

As a result of
what?

Acts 17: 11 NIV

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Acts 17: 12 NIV

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Question

What can we learn
from this?

Acts 17: 13 NIV

But when the Jews in Thessalonica learned that Paul was preaching the word of God at Berea, some of them went there too, agitating the crowds and stirring them up.

Question

Do we see this
same thing today?

In D.C., Group Of Protesters Breaks Windows; Police Use Pepper Spray

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CAMILA DOMONOSKE



Ferguson's Potemkin Protests



12/01/2014

Revolutionary Tourism: As shattered glass, car fires and protests blight Ferguson, an interesting fact is emerging: Nearly all of the arrestees hollering revolution are from other cities. Obviously, this isn't about Michael Brown.

In the latest batch of radicals busted over the weekend for disturbing the peace in Ferguson, 15 of the 16 didn't even live in Ferguson. They were from places as far away as Chicago and New York.

It's no anomaly, either, but a pattern.

Police said that of the 51 protesters arrested in the protests of Aug. 19 and 20, 50 were from places like New York, Des Moines and Chicago.

Acts 17: 14 NIV

The believers immediately sent Paul to the coast, but Silas and Timothy stayed at Berea.

Question

Why do you think they only sent Paul away?

Acts 17: 15 NIV

Those who escorted Paul brought him to Athens and then left with instructions for Silas and Timothy to join him as soon as possible.



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Nicopolis

Delphi

Corinth
Cenchreae
ACHAIA

Athens

141 Miles

Next Week

Please Read

Acts 17: 16-34