

PAUL'S FINAL VISIT TO JERUSALEM

(Acts 21:1-16)

I. THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH IN JERUSALEM (chapters 1-2)

II. THE GROWTH OF THE CHURCH IN JERUSALEM (chapters 3-7)

III. THE CHURCH'S WITNESS FOR CHRIST IN JUDEA, SAMARIA, AND SYRIA (chapters 8-12)

IV. THE CHURCH'S WITNESS TO THE REST OF THE WORLD (chapters 13-28)

A. Making their way back to Jerusalem, Paul and his comrades sail from Miletus to Tyre (21:1-6)

1. Most of chapter 20 recorded Paul's heartfelt farewell _____ which included _____ and stern _____ to the elders of the church in Ephesus.
2. Luke _____ this journey to Jerusalem in _____; he and the party sailed from Miletus to Patara, a total of three days' journey in a _____ ship, until they found a _____ ship that sailed directly to Phoenicia. (vv. 1-3)
3. Paul, wanting to _____ the time while in dock sought out the local Christians in Tyre; this was most likely his _____ with these believers. (v. 4a)
4. According to Acts 20:22-24 Paul _____ what awaited him in Jerusalem, and the saints in Tyre confirmed this and kept on warning him [*imperfect t.*] "_____ the _____ *not to go up to Jerusalem.*" (v. 4b)

* Scholars are divided, was Paul right or wrong in journeying to Jerusalem?

5. After lodging with believers for seven days there was already a _____ of agape love; Paul and the others _____ down on the shore with the Christian families in Tyre and _____. They then boarded their ship. (vv. 5-6)

B. The missionary team stops off in Ptolemais and then Caesarea (21:7-16)

1. As they departed Tyre, they then stopped in several other ports...
 - a. they sailed to Ptolemais and lodged with _____ for one day. (v. 7)
 - b. they sailed to Caesarea and stayed many days with _____ the evangelist. (v. 8)
2. While at Philip's house, a prophet from Judea took Paul's belt and _____ himself with it testifying that the _____ declared that "*the man who owns this belt*" will be delivered by the Jews into the hands of the Gentiles. (vv. 9-11)
3. When the believers at Philip's house heard this, _____ of them kept on _____ [*imperfect t.*] with Paul to _____ go to Jerusalem. (v. 12)
4. Paul's response to all of this was, "*For I am ready not only to be bound, but also to _____ at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus;*" when the apostle _____ be convinced otherwise, they _____ their pleading. (vv. 13-14)
5. After a number of days at Philip's house, the missionary team and some believers from Caesarea packed up and _____ to _____, bringing with them a disciple with whom they would lodge. (vv. 15-16)

* What can you personally take away from this passage today?