

Paul in Ephesus - Acts 19:1-22

Topics: Believe, Christianity, Church, Demons, Fear, Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ, Kingdom of God/Heaven, Miracles, Money, Occult, Opposition, Partnerships, People, Prophecy

Open It

1. What is your idea of an adventure?
2. If you knew that traveling to a remote place would enrich your life, what kinds of hardships would you be willing to endure for the trip?
- * 3. Why do you think some people read horoscopes or consult palm readers?

Explore It

4. While Apollos ministered at Corinth, where did Paul go? (19:1)
5. What did Paul ask the disciples at Ephesus? (19:2)
6. How did the group respond to Paul? (19:2)
7. What was the significance of John's baptism? (19:3-4)
8. Why were the disciples rebaptized? (19:5)
9. How did the Spirit come on the disciples? (19:6)
10. Who received the Holy Spirit? (19:7)
11. How long did Paul speak at the synagogue before confronting trouble? (19:8)
12. Why did Paul stop speaking at the synagogue? (19:9)
13. From his new base of operations, how long did Paul spend spreading the Word of the Lord? (19:10)
- * 14. What extraordinary events happened during this time? (19:11-16)
- * 15. Why did people both fear and praise Jesus? (19:17)
16. How did faith in Christ change the Ephesians? (19:18-19)
- * 17. What practices did the Ephesians give up? (19:18-19)
18. What happened to the spread of Christianity? (19:20)
19. After Ephesus, what was on Paul's itinerary? (19:21-22)

Get It

20. How long did it take you to become a Christian?
21. Who helped you understand God's plan of salvation?
22. When did you realize that the Holy Spirit was at work in your life?
23. How was Paul able to deal with people involved in occult practices?
- * 24. What occult practices are popular today?
25. Why is it important for us to avoid occult practices?
26. What battles might Paul fight if he were a missionary to your community?
- * 27. Why did those who practiced magic burn their books publicly?
28. What is the value of public confession?
29. When should we confess our sins publicly?
30. What do you need to confess and burn in order to be used by God?

Apply It

31. To whom do you want to confess a sin or desire in order to serve God more faithfully?
32. Whom can you invite to church to hear the message of salvation?
- * 33. What is one practical way you can oppose Satan's efforts among the people you know?