Acts 14:1-20

1 Cor 12:9 A Great Door and Many Adversaries

• Paul Got Stoned! V5, v19

Paul was Unstoppable

- Attacks & the Determination of Paul
- The Will of God and Difficulty
- Effectiveness and Opposition Go Together

Acts 14:1-3

Paul So Spoke..... "the Word of His Grace"

1st Quality of Effective Believers

• Sharing Your Story of Grace

Poisoning Minds Jam 3:6 Power of the Tongue

- To Shape or Spread False info to Damage
- Be Careful of the Church BBQ

Therefore He Stayed..... A Long Time

#2 Enduring Difficulty for a Greater Priority

• Good Reasons to Stay

In THAT Context..... God Grants Miracles

- Mk 16:17 Signs Will Follow the Word
- God Rewards Endurance

Acts 14:5-10

Threat to Kill Apostles

• Sometimes You Stay and Fight....You Leave!

#3 Spiritual Discernment "Saw his Faith"

• 1 Th 5:17, Word of Knowledge

#4 A Willingness to Step Out.... Saw Miracles

• The Spirit Prompts Our Thoughts

Acts 14:11-15

The Legend/ Myth of Jupiter & Mercury

The Greatest Danger to their Ministry

#5 Refused to Touch God's Glory

• Danger of Flattery: Blinds & Inflates Lk 6:26

• Give a False Impression Super Spirituality

Acts 14:15-18

Turn to the Creator God

- Psa 19, Rom 1:20
- Bang!!! Order, Complexity and Design?

God has Left His Witness-Testimony

- Precision, Complexity, Beauty= A Designer
- God's Final Revelation

Acts 14:19-20

The Fickleness of People & Popularity

• The Praise of Men is Short Lived

Paul was Stoned but was He Dead?

- 3rd Heaven? 2 Cor 12:1-4, 2 Tim 4:11
- He Rose up..... Went Back into the city

[&]quot;Endurance will be Rewarded"