

Acts 21:15-36 “Paul: The Prisoner of the Lord”

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Monday Morning Quarterback & Theologians

- Seemed Right – Got Mugged!

Final Season as Prisoner of the Lord

- Prison Became His Pulpit
- Both Sobering & Encouraging

Acts 21:15-17

Leaving Caesarea for Jerusalem

- Feast Time- Pentecost

Mnason Unsung Hero of Hospitality

- An Early Disciple, a Treasure in the Church
- Like Martha Lk 10:38-42
- Eph 3:17 Making Jesus Comfortable

Acts 21:17-19

The Church Leaders in Jerusalem

- Received them Gladly, Love Gift Delivered
- Universal Language of Reconciliation

James and the Elders....Who?

- Jesus' Brother, Older Men not Apostles
- Paul's 20 Year Ministry Report

Acts 21:20-25

Myriads of Jews- Zealous for the Law

- Still Involved in Jewish Customs & Traditions

1. For Jews: Jesus the Missing Piece, Meaning

- Not Prohibited but Not Necessary for Salvation
- Gentiles Gain Understanding
- Feasts Tell the Story of Salvation

2. Zealous for the Law.... Not Jesus

- Trying to Fit in to Keep the Peace
- Leaning Toward Legalism, Book of Hebrews

Paul Takes a Vow Nazirite Num 6

- Paul is Gracious Rom 12:18, 1 Cor 9:19-23
- Pure Motives, Hoping to Avoid Trouble

Acts 21:26-36

Paul and the Temple Mob

- Gentiles & Temple: Wall of Partition Warning
- Roman Police Force, Fortress Antonia

You Cant Avoid the Offense of the Gospel

- Dangerous to Try and Fit in, Lose Influence
- Being Different = Our Greatest Impact
- The World's Secret Hope.....

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Be a Mnason.... Make Jesus Comfortable

Trying to Fit inDims the Light

Acts of Kindness.... May Open Doors