

Acts 21

Questions

1. What did the disciples at Tyre say to Paul (21:1-4)?
2. What did the disciples at Tyre do with Paul before he left them (21:5-6)?
3. Who did Paul and his travelling companions stay with at Caesarea (21:7-9)?
4. What did Agabus prophesy concerning Paul and what was Paul's reaction (21:10-14)?
5. Who did Paul meet with in Jerusalem and what did he rehearse with them (21:15-19)?
6. What had many of the believing Jews heard concerning Paul (21:20-22)?
7. What was Paul counseled to do and how did he respond (21:23-26)?
8. What did Jews from Asia do to Paul in the temple (21:27-30)?
9. What did the Roman commander do to Paul (21:31-36)?
10. What did Paul request of the commander as he was being taken into the barracks of the Roman soldiers (21:37-40)?

Digging Deeper

1. Where are the following places located: Cos, Rhodes, Patara, Phoenicia, Cyprus, Syria, Tyre, Ptolemais, Caesarea, and Jerusalem (21:1-16)?
2. Which James is mentioned in 21:18?
3. Where previously in Acts is it said that Paul had taken a vow similar to the one mentioned in 21:23-24?
4. Why was Paul in favor of a Jewish custom here in 21:23-26, but he was opposed to it in other cases like Galatians 2:3-5 or Colossians 2:16-23?
5. Where previously in Acts was the letter of 21:25 mentioned?
6. How was the Jews' charge against Paul in 21:28 similar to the charge against Stephen?
7. Where do we eventually learn the name of this Roman commander (21:31)?

Applications for Today

1. Praying together with our brethren for their future safety is a good practice (21:5).
2. Let us, like Paul, always be ready to sacrifice our lives for the name of the Lord Jesus (21:13).
3. Let us always resign our will to the Lord's will (21:14; Jas. 4:15).
4. God is to be glorified for the great things he does for the salvation of others through the ministry of godly Christians (21:19-20; Acts 11:18; Gal. 1:24).

5. When possible, be willing to do things within the realm of good judgment to make peace with others as long as it does not violate plain principles of scripture (21:23-26; 1 Cor. 10:23-33).
6. Just because someone charges you with an accusation doesn't make it true (21:28; Mk. 15:3-4).
7. Just because someone supposes something about you doesn't make it true (21:29; Jn. 7:24; 1 Tim. 6:4).
8. Be respectful even in the face of mistreatment (21:37-40; Rom. 12:17-21; 1 Pet. 2:23).