

The Acts of the Church Empowered By the Spirit

A Servant's Journey

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Intro and Opening

- Greetings
- Prayer
- Announcements

Context and Perspective

- This theme continues Empowered by the Holy Spirit.
- Close to About 57 AD (24 - 25 years) in his Journey (the race) with Christ Jesus.
- Paul has written: 1st and 2nd Thessalonians, 1st Corinthians, Galatians: Starting to write: Romans and 2nd Corinthians.
- We are all on a Journey (Paul calls the race)
- Being on a Journey - Can seem like an adventure. An adventure does not come without it's challenges. It can come with suffering. Joshua 1:9 and Romans 8:18.
- We are called to a ministry. Interconnected as the body of Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit.
- Where we left off:
- From the uproar in Ephesus
- From Acts 19:21 - Spirit Purposed Journey
- Acts 20:1 - 3 - He went to Troas
- Led by the Spirit.
 - Not by money or lack of
 - Not by fear
 - Not by fame
 - Not by Purposed by flesh
- Map of Paul's Journey
- **See Map:** https://www.conformingtojesus.com/charts-maps/en/paul's_journeys_map.htm
- **Also See:** <https://viz.bible/journeys/>

Eutychus Fall Asleep

- Acts 20:7 - 12
- Long winded sermon. Does that sound familiar?
- Break Bread - remember fellowship was important to the early church
- Paul had seen a lot.
- Eutychus died
- Healed like nothing happened

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Where are you headed?

- Acts 20:16
- Intentional Journey
- There is a destination
- Jesus was led to go into the Wilderness - Matthew 4:1
- Sometime it will appear as a hurry
- John 16:13

Testimony of Suffering

- Hea
- Acts 20:17 - 23
- Is it me or is Paul testifying of his trials and suffering?
- Perspective John 16:33
- James 1:2, James 1:12
- Revelation 2:10
- 1 Peter 1:7

The Race

- Acts 20:24
- Not counting one own's life dear to himself
- Must finish the race
- This is a different perspective
- SCRIPTURES ABOUT THE RACE
- 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
- 2 Timothy 4:7-8
- Hebrews 12:1-2

Message to the Leaders

- Acts 20:25 - 31
- Acts 20: 26 - innocent of blood of all (He gave a fair warning).
- Warns of Wolves - Jesus warned this as well
- Matthew 7:15 - 16
- Romans 16:17 - 18
- 1 John 4:1
- This was very relevant during this time. Yes, the early church.
- The early operated as though it was the last days. Matthew 24:42 - 44

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Better to Serve (better to give than receive)

- Acts 20:32 - 35
- Store treasures in Heaven Matthew 6:19 - 21
- What does it mean to support the weak?
- Who are the weak?
- Why do you think this was important to Paul?
- Matthew 25:34 - 40

Love amongst the brothers and sisters in Christ

- Acts 20: 36 - 38
- Touching part of what was recorded
- This shows the real relationships built through the Journey.
- Sincere love and affection with those in Christ

Map of the Journey



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Interactive Map Here: <https://viz.bible/journeys/>