

PREACHING CURRICULUM



MIRACLES AND MINISTRY ACTS 20:1-38

“God will often use a difficult thing to teach you that He is faithful...”

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

What do we learn from Paul’s dedication to the preaching of the Gospel? How was his persistence in sharing the truth, an example of faithfulness to those around him, even in the face of tragedy? (Vs.7-12) _____

Notice the list of some of Paul’s accomplishments in ministry. How was this list pointing to humility in ministry? How is it fundamentally about Christ and not his accomplishments? (Vs.19-21) _____

Why was it important for Paul to warn the church of wolves that would come from the outside, as well as from within? Why was remembering his admonition, a reflection of true leadership? (Vs.28-32) _____

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

When it comes to ministry, do you expect quick outcomes? How have you persevered even when you didn’t see what God was going to do? _____

Are you eager to gather for worship and learning in the same way this narrative describes the early church? Is this something you struggle with? Have you had a flippant attitude toward the entirety of the Sunday morning worship service? (*I.e. from welcome to benediction*) If so, explain. If not, how has your eagerness to gather with God’s people continued to be a joyful and not taxing experience? _____

Are you consistent in your intercession for God’s church? How does the discipline of prayer grant you peace and steadfastness in your ministry? _____

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

Of the 5 fundamental ministry practices that Paul models for us, what are some that you struggle to model in the ministry that you have been called to? What is the key to success in ministry as it relates to these practices? _____

How can you model and preach Jesus' message that it is better to give than to receive, and that we are designed to work - not covet? _____

Why do we preach the whole council of God? How does this ensure, among other things, that our message will be the same, both in public and in private? What difference should this make as we seek to be faithful to His call? _____

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will you apply the practical examples of Paul's ministry in your life, starting this week? _____

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

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