

PREACHING CURRICULUM



WILLING TO DIE ACTS 21:1-16

"...we know that the Church will stand as promised, but in the present time, without care, the local church can be attacked and weakened..."

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

According to the sermon, what two things sustain the believer in ministry and in faith? What is the evidence of this in the passage? _____

How do we see the early church's high view of Christ's sovereignty in this passage? _____

How was Paul able to maintain a ready mindset that would allow him to be resolved about imprisonment and even death for the sake of the Gospel message? _____

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

How has a high view of the Church protected you from hardships and divides? Why is it so important for you to maintain a closeness or a desire to be with other likeminded believers? _____

1 Cor 13 gives us a clear description of what love is to look like in the life of a believer. If you were to assess your life according to this standard, how do you measure up? How is love prioritized in your life? _____

When thinking of your strengths and weaknesses, how likely would you say it is that you would be willing to put yourself in a difficult spot, or to suffer physical or emotional harm for the name of Jesus Christ? _____

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

Many things in Paul’s time sought to pull apart the work and ministry of Christ and His church. What are some things that are tearing apart the Christian church today? How does a high view of the church and Christ’s sovereignty apply when we are faced with hard times? _____

What are the true markers of someone who has a high view of the church? How do these markers help both the individual and the church maintain unity it suffers through demonic attack and human forces? (Vs. 4-6) _____

We see throughout Scripture how prophets dramatically and powerfully brought forward God's words. Paul sometimes fled at the Spirit's direction, but here he stayed the course. We know how Paul handled it, but how will you handle it when or if the time comes? What are some practical things we should be working on to strengthen us in this manner? _____

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Are you committed to loving the local church? If so, will you commit to serving to the best of your ability, trusting in His sovereignty to lead you in all peace and joy? _____

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

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