

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

THE ONGOING WORK OF JESUS BY THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

The Book of Acts - Part 49

THE MAN GOD USES

Lessons from the Last Leg of Paul's Journey to Rome

(Acts 28:1-16)

INTRODUCTION:

"...and thus we came to Rome."

—Acts 28:14

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ROME FOR PAUL:

1. For Paul, Rome was... a _____ to be _____.

"Now after these things were finished, Paul purposed in the Spirit to go to Jerusalem after he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, saying, 'After I have been there, I must also see Rome.'"

—Acts 19:21

"Then when Festus had conferred with his council, he answered, 'You have appealed to Caesar, to Caesar you shall go.'"

—Acts 25:12

2. For Paul, Rome was... a _____ to be _____.

"For I long to see you so that I may impart some spiritual gift to you, that you may be established.... So, for my part, I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome."

—Romans 1:11, 15

3. For Paul, Rome was... a _____ to be _____.

"But on the night immediately following, the Lord stood at his side and said, 'Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause at Jerusalem, so you must witness at Rome also.'"

—Acts 23:11

"This very night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood before me, saying, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar....'"

—Acts 27:23, 24

1A. THE FINAL _____ OF THE JOURNEY: (ACTS 28:1-16)

1B. The Final _____ on Paul's Journey to Rome (28:1-10)

"When they had been brought safely through, then we found out that the island was called Malta."

—Acts 28:1

2B. The Final _____ on Paul's Journey to Rome (28:11-14a)

"At the end of three months we set sail on an Alexandrian ship which had wintered at the island, and which had the Twin Brothers for its figurehead. ¹² After we put in at Syracuse, we stayed there for three days. ¹³ From there we sailed around and arrived at Rhegium, and a day later a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli. ¹⁴ There we found some brethren, and were invited to stay with them for seven days."

3B. The Final _____ on Paul's Journey to Rome (28:14b-16)

"...and thus we came to Rome. ¹⁵ And the brethren, when they heard about us, came from there as far as the Market of Appius and Three Inns to meet us; and when Paul saw them, he thanked God and took courage."

2A. SOME FINAL _____ FROM THE JOURNEY:

1B. The Man God Uses is a _____ Man.

2B. The Man God Uses is a _____ Man.

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CONCLUSION: