

THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 28-29, 2017



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

DON'T FORGET
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH
TURN YOUR CLOCKS
BACK 1 HOUR
SATURDAY NIGHT

ETHIOPIA MISSION TRIP SPRING 2018

REGISTRATION EXTENDED
TO NOVEMBER 12TH

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WATER BAPTISM

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18TH
AT 5:00 PM AT THE CATHEDRAL

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The Story Continues...

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WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAYS 5PM
SUNDAYS 8:30AM / 10:30AM / 12:30PM

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDIES

WEDNESDAYS 12NOON AND 7PM AT THE CATHEDRAL
THURSDAYS 12NOON AT THE POWER CENTER

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WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS AT 8PM
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READY FOR WHATEVER

One of the most amazing things about the apostle Paul's return to Jerusalem is the simple fact that he went back knowing the great threat that was before him. In Acts 21:13 he stated, *"For I am ready not only to be bound, but even to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."* As we have seen previously in Acts and in the life of Christ, **obedience** unto death is another outcome of the outpouring.

MY LIFE, HIS CAUSE

Paul's journey brought him back to Jerusalem to do the primary thing Jesus declared as the **purpose** of the power of the Holy Spirit; *"be My witnesses..."* (Ac. 1:8) Before the church Paul testified of the work of the Lord during his travels (Ac. 21:19-20). Before unbelieving Jews he testified of Jesus as the Messiah and His love for the Gentiles (Ac. 22:1-21). The apostle's work was **affirmed** by the Lord in a personal visit when He said, *"Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause at Jerusalem, so you must witness at Rome also."* (Ac. 23:11).

- God's Cause is **CHALLENGING**
- God's Cause is **CONFLICT**
- God's Cause is **CARING**
- God's Cause is **CONTINUOUS** (eternal)

HIS CAUSE, GREAT OUTCOMES

It is God's **cause** that all men be saved (1Tim. 2:4). Paul's testimony created great trouble in the form of public outrage, uproar and debate, and conspiracy to murder. The **TRUTH** (God's cause) threatened the control of leaders. Though the ground was hard, the Holy Spirit still ACTivated Paul to sow and water their hearts. The church of today should be inspired by Paul's commitment to the **LORD'S CAUSE** above all else even when the outcomes did not seem favorable. The ultimate outcomes of following the Lord ALWAYS outweigh cost.

If granted a personal visit from the Lord, would you be commended for your commitment to His cause or convicted for complacency?

FactorPoints

He's Here - WORSHIP the Lord for ACTivating men and women throughout generations who were committed to His cause and spread the gospel.

He Knows - LEARN of the purpose of God's cause even in difficult places through the missionary journey's of the apostle Paul (Ac. 14:22b).

He's Able — SERVE the cause of the Lord by being an ACTivated witness to whomever the Lord calls you to.

WEEK 12 READING: ACTS 22-23

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