

Faithful Ministry Exemplified (Acts 20:32-38)

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Review

Notes on the themes in Paul's address to the Ephesian elders:

God's church is worth watching over with the most diligent _____ care.
It is not enough for a faithful shepherd to _____ and lead his flock, he must also protect it from _____.

Whenever the _____ is proclaimed, Satan can be expected to counter it with the _____ of false doctrine.

Paul Relinquishes His Oversight of these Elders (v. 32)

commend (paratithemi) =

Paul had selected and _____ these Ephesian undershepherds, and now that he could no longer _____ them, he had to turn their care over to God.

The *word of His grace* refers to the _____ of God's good will and favor in the lives of the _____.

to build you up (oikodomeo) =

The *inheritance* is everything that believers will receive as our eternal _____.

Through the teaching of the gospel, God is building and purifying His _____.

Paul releases these elders from his oversight and _____ them to the care of the same God and same Word that _____ up and rewards all believers.

Paul Defends His Character (vv. 33-35)

coveted (epithumia) =

Paul never desired, _____ for, or set his heart upon a single person's _____ or possessions in Ephesus.

Notes on Paul's work ethic:

It is apparent from Scripture that one of the devices his _____ used against Paul was to attack and cause others to _____ his character.

Cross references on Paul's defenses of his work ethic:

Paul's ministry was not characterized by self-seeking _____.

working hard (kopiao) =

The *weak* is speaking of those who have been _____ in the spiritual battle, and who have lost the ability to _____ their suffering.

Paul makes clear to these elders that a key duty of a _____ work is not just preaching and teaching, but assisting the spiritually _____.

In the New Testament, "*blessed*" implies an _____ satisfaction and sufficiency that doesn't depend on _____ circumstances for happiness.

Jesus taught that _____ to others is an antidote to covetousness and a way to escape the captivating deceit of _____.

Paul's Departure (vv. 36-38)

Essential to all successful ministry, _____ acknowledges dependence upon God.

Grieving especially (odyao) =

The warmth of Paul's _____ for his converts was fully reciprocated.