

# THE ZEAL OF THE LORD

THE BOOK OF ACTS

## Bible study for the week starting March 12, 2023

### SHARE

God has made you and created you with the need for relationships. “It is not good for us to be alone” was a statement made by God at the beginning of time. Discuss your past/current core and significant relationships. Who has God brought into your life at different times and how has he used them to strengthen your faith? Encourage your heart? Or provide you with companionship? All of the above?

### READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **ACTS 21:1** The first verse talks about having to leave people that are dear to Paul. Have you ever had to leave or say goodbye to people that are dear? How did that experience go?
2. Read **Acts 21:2-4** Verse 4 you see people urging Paul NOT to continue in his journey. Do you have people that have discouraged you from doing something that you felt God wanted you to do? How did you discern the voice of God in those moments?
3. Read **Acts 12: 5-6** We get a pretty cool picture of caring and prayer filled friendships...kneeling on the beach to pray. Who do you have in your life that will hit their knees in prayer with you and for you?
4. Read **Acts 21:7-9** Take a look at where we first saw Phillip (Acts 6:5) What is Phillip's legacy of faith? (His daughters) What about yours?
5. Read **Acts 21:10-14** Another person warns of what will happen to Paul. What is Paul ready to face? (v.13) Are you ready to face your death? Where do you need to proclaim “the Lord's will be done.”
6. Read **Acts 21:15-16** Mnason has the gift of hospitality. Do you have the gift of hospitality? Why is hospitality important to Jesus?

### PRAY

Pray and thank God for the people God has placed in your life and pray that we would love each other as Jesus does.

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Acts 21:1-16 “Do you have people?”

March 12, 2023 – Pastor Ben Schrank

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Throughout his missionary journeys, the apostle Paul traveled over [10,000 MILES](#), established at least [14 CHURCHES](#), and transformed [COUNTLESS](#) lives.

“Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be [ALONE](#); I will make him a helper fit for him.”  
-Genesis 2:18

72- “bad”- [SEPARATION, A PART](#)

Friendship is important to God and important to Paul.

1. “So we, though many, are [ONE BODY](#) in Christ, and individually members one of another.” Romans 12:5
2. “And [PRAY](#) in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” Ephesians 6:18
3. “Therefore [ENCOUORAGE](#) one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.” 1 Thessalonians. 5:11
4. But [EXHORT](#) one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” Hebrews 3:13
5. “Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show [HOSPITALITY.](#)” Romans 12:13

“To be loved but not known is comforting but superficial. To be known and not loved is our greatest fear. But to be [FULLY KNOWN](#) and [TRULY LOVED](#) is, well, a lot like being loved by God. - Tim Keller

“I have called you [FRIENDS...](#)” John 15:15

*For midweek read Acts 21:17-26*

*For next weekend read Acts 21:27-40*