

Acts: Church Blueprints

“The Shadow of Death”

Acts 19:21-21:14

Nothing is allowed to deter Paul on the mission he has accepted as his life's purpose. Hostility and threats of harm do not compare to the faith of a man confident in God's call, provision, and protection. His life was the gospel, his focus the churches, his confidence the Lord's will.

1. Historical Background: Gentile Opposition

- **Spiritual Resolve and Divine Timing (19:21, 22)**

- **Intellectual Shallowness of Worldly Opposition (19:23-41)**

2. Church Blueprint: Stewardship of the Church

- **Encouragement of the Churches (20:1-16)**

- **Heartbeat of a True Pastor (20:17-38)**

- **Shadow of Death Acknowledged (21:1-14)**