SENT: A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF ACTS Acts 21:15-26 New Life Fellowship – Pastor Joe Green Sunday, October 06, 2024

ICorinthians 9:19-22 (NIV2011) Paul said... "Though <u>I am free and belong</u> <u>to no one</u>, <u>I have made myself a slave to everyone</u>, to win as many as possible. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the Law I became like one under the Law (though I myself am not under the Law), so as to win those under the Law. <sup>21</sup> To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. <sup>22</sup> <u>To the weak</u> <u>I became weak</u>, to win the weak. <u>I have become all things to all people</u> so that by all possible means I might save some."

1. There Is A Weakness We Should \_\_\_\_\_...

## ...So We Don't \_\_\_\_\_ Others.

Acts 21:15-16 (NIV2011) "After this, we started on our way up to Jerusalem. <sup>16</sup> Some of the disciples from Caesarea accompanied us and brought us to the home of Mnason, where we were to stay. He was a man from Cyprus and one of the early disciples."

Acts 21:17-19 (NIV2011) "When we arrived at Jerusalem, <u>the brothers and sisters</u> <u>received us warmly</u>. <sup>18</sup> <u>The next day</u> Paul and the rest of us <u>went to see James</u>, <u>and all the elders</u> were present. <sup>19</sup> Paul greeted them and <u>reported in detail what</u> <u>God had done among the Gentiles</u> through his ministry."

Acts 21:20-21 (NIV2011) "When [James and the elders] heard this, <u>they praised</u> <u>God</u>. Then they said to Paul: 'You see, brother, <u>how many thousands of Jews have</u> <u>believed</u>, and <u>all of them are zealous for the Law</u>. <sup>21</sup> They have been informed that <u>you teach all the Jews</u> who live among the Gentiles <u>to turn away from Moses</u>, telling them not to circumcise their children or live according to our customs."

Acts 21:22-25 (NIV2011) James and the elders said... "What shall we do? They will certainly hear that you have come, <sup>23</sup> so do what we tell you. There are four men with us who have made a vow. <sup>24</sup> Take these men, join in their purification rites and pay their expenses, so that they can have their heads shaved. Then everyone will know there is no truth in these reports about you, but that you yourself are living in obedience to the Law. <sup>25</sup> As for the Gentile believers, we have written to them our decision that they should abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from sexual immorality."

Acts 21:26 (NIV2011) "<u>The next day Paul took the men</u> [who had taken the Nazirite vow] <u>and purified himself along with them</u>. Then he went to the Temple to give notice of the date when the days of purification would end and the offering would be made for each of them."

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