

WHO'S YOUR REAL GOD?

Acts 19:21-41

1. Demetrius worshipped money

For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Diana, brought no small profit to the craftsmen. (24)

2. The crowd worshipped acceptance

Some therefore cried one thing and some another, for the assembly was confused, and most of them did not know why they had come together. (32)

3. The city clerk worshipped power

And when the city clerk had quieted the crowd, he said: "Men of Ephesus, what man is there who does not know that the city of the Ephesians is temple guardian of the great goddess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Zeus? Therefore, since these things cannot be denied, you ought to be quiet and do nothing rashly. (35-36)

4. Paul and his friends worshipped Jesus

So the whole city was filled with confusion, and rushed into the theater with one accord, having seized Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians, Paul's travel companions. And when Paul wanted to go in to the people, the disciples would not allow him. Then some of the officials of Asia, who were his friends, sent to him pleading that he would not venture into the theater. (29-31)