The Book of the

# ACTS OF APOSTLES

(Answers to the Questions)

12 Lessons

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#### Lesson One—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 1:1-26**

- What other book did the writer of this book produce? (See Luke 1:1-4; Acts 1:1)

   a) The Gospel of Luke
- 2. Why did Jesus appear to His Apostles after His resurrection?
  - a) To prove that he had been raised;
  - b) Spoke of things pertaining to the kingdom of God.
- 3. What promise did Jesus repeat to the Apostles? (1:4-5; John 16:13) (See Chart #1)
  - a) The promise of the sending of the Holy Spirit to them (Baptized with Holy Spirit)
- 4. What was the purpose of the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles? (1:8)
  - a) To give them power;
  - b) Help them to be a proper witness of Jesus into all the world
  - c) (John 16:13)
- 5. After Jesus' ascension, where did the Apostles go to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit?
  - (1:9-14) (See also Isaiah 2:2-3)
    - a) Jerusalem (upper room)
    - b) Isaiah 2:2-3....fulfil prophecy of beginning of kingdom & word of the Lord to go forth
- 6. What was the place called where Judas was buried? (1:19)
  - a) Aceldama....field of blood
- 7. Whom did the Apostles choose to take the place of Judas Iscariot? (1:15-26)a) Matthias

#### 8. What qualified a disciple to be an Apostle? (1:21-22)

- a) A disciple is a learner, a follower of Jesus.
- b) But an Apostle is this and more (2 Corinthians 5:18-20) (A special representative)
- c) One who had been with Jesus from the Baptism of John (??)
- d) One who had witnessed the Resurrection of Jesus.

#### 9. How long did the Apostles have to wait for the Holy Spirit to come? (1:3; 2:1)

a) About 10 days (Pentecost----50 days minus 40 days = 10 days)

#### Lesson Two—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 2:1-47**

- 1. How many days after the Passover did the day of Pentecost occur? (2:1; Leviticus 23:15-16)
  - a) 50 days
- 2. What visible and audible miraculous events occurred to indicate that the Holy Spirit had come upon the Apostles as Jesus had promised? (2:2-4)
  - a) Sound as of a rushing mighty wind.
  - b) It filled all the house.
  - c) There appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire sitting upon each of them.
  - d) All filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.
- 3. What power did the Apostles receive? (2:4)
  - a) To speak in a language they had not learned.
- 4. Why did God call these Jews devout? (2:5)
  - a) Traveled all the way to Jerusalem to keep the Law of Moses.
- 5. What does it mean in the Bible to speak in a tongue? (2:5-13)
  - a) To speak in a known language that people can understand.
- 6. What did Peter state was the fulfillment of the prophet Joel? (2:16-21) (See Chart #1)
  - a) The outpouring of the Spirit which they had received & evidenced by miracles.
- 7. How was Jesus shown to be approved of God? (2:22)
  - a) By miracles, wonders, and signs.

#### 8. What evidence did Peter use to prove the resurrection of Jesus? (2:23-32)

- a) Prophecy of David—Soul not left in hades(hell)—flesh would not see corruption.
- b) Also stated that they were eye-witnesses.
- 9. Upon Jesus' ascension, what did He send back to the Apostles that He had promised? (2:33-35)
  - a) The Holy Spirit

#### 10. What was Peter's conclusion about Jesus? (2:36)

a) God has made Him both Lord & Christ

- 11. What were these convicted religious people told to do to have remission of sins? (2:38-40)
  - a) Repent
  - b) Be Baptized
- 12. What gift were they told they would receive in addition to remission of sins? (2:38) (See Chart #2)
  - a) Gift of the Holy Spirit (Non-miraculous indwelling)
- 13. How many were baptized that day? (2:41)
  - a) 3000
- 14. What did they continue steadfast in, and why? (2:42; Matthew 28:20)
  - a) The Apostles doctrine, Fellowship, Breaking of bread, Prayers.
  - b) This is what Jesus had evidently commanded.

#### 15. By whose hands were many wonders and signs done? (2:43)

- a) Apostles (only the Apostles at this time)
- 16. What term was used to identify the new Christians? (2:44)
  - a) Believers

#### 17. To what were the saved people added daily? (2:47)

- a) Church (KJV)
- b) To their number (Believers or the Apostles)

#### Lesson Three—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 3:1-8:4**

- 1. What gave Peter an opportunity to preach to a large group of Jews again at the Temple? (3:1-12)
  - a) Healing of a lame man.
- 2. What part did faith play in the beggar's healing? (3:3-8, 16)a) He had to believe Peter and get up.
- 3. What proof did Peter give of Jesus' resurrection? (3:15)a) They were eye-witnesses.
- 4. What did Peter tell these people to do to have their sins blotted out? (3:19)a) Repent and be converted (turned to God)
- 5. What did Moses say would happen to those who would not hearken to this new prophet? (3:20-23)
  - a) Cut off, destroyed
- 6. What promise did Peter remind them God had made to Abraham? (3:25-26)
  - a) In his seed would all the kindred of the earth be blessed.
  - b) (Seed was Christ)
- 7. What was the response to the preaching? (4:1-4)
  - a) By the leaders?--Grieved at their preaching—put them in jail.
  - b) By the people?--Many believed—number came to about 5000 men.
- 8. How did Peter prove to these rulers that Jesus was truly raised from the dead? (4:1)a) By giving them the power to heal the lame man.
- 9. Why is the name of Jesus important? (4:12)
  - a) There is salvation in no other name.
- 10. What was Peter and John's answer to the Jewish leaders who warned them to stop preaching about Jesus? (4:20)
  - a) We cannot but speak the things we have seen & heard.
- 11. What happened when the Apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit? (4:31-33) (See Chart #3) (Please note the word, "power")
  - a) Spoke the Word of God with boldness.
  - b) With great POWER they gave witness of the Resurrection (Miraculous powers)
- 12. Who alone were performing miracles at this time? (4:33)
  - a) The Apostles

### 13. How did Ananias and Sapphira tempt the Holy Spirit? (5:1-9) (See Chart #4) (Please read also Acts 7:51; 1 Thess. 5:19; Eph. 4:30; Gal. 5:18, 25)

- a) By lying about the money—hoping to deceive the people.
- b) They treated God like a man-thought they could get by with something.
- 14. Were Ananias and Sapphira Christians?
  - a) Yes
- 15. Who were still the only ones performing miracles at this time? (5:12)
  - a) The Apostles
- 16. What good resulted from the incident with Ananias and Sapphira? (5:13-16)a) Believers were the more added to the church.
- 17. What did the High Priest say the Apostles had done in their preaching? (5:28)a) Filled Jerusalem with your doctrine.
- 18. To whom does God give His Holy Spirit? (5:32) (See Chart #2)
  - a) Them that obey him (Non-miraculous indwelling)
- 19. What did the Apostles continue to do even after being warned? (5:42)
  - a) Ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.
- 20. In what sense should we understand the term "full of the Holy Spirit" in Acts 6:3-5? (See Chart #3) (Please not the concept of "character")
  - a) Full surrender to his teachings in their lives (non-miraculous)
- 21. For what purpose did the Apostles lay their hands on these seven men? (6:6, 8, 8:5-6) (See Chart #5) (Please not the word, "power")
  - a) Possibly to appoint them to the work of ministering to widows;
  - b) And also, to impart a spiritual (miraculous) gift.
  - c) First time the Apostles had laid hands on people.
  - d) Immediately afterwards these men could perform miraculous powers.

#### 22. Who were obedient to the faith and why? (6:7)

a) Great company of the priest....Word of God increased!

#### 23. How did Stephen's listeners resist the Holy Spirit? (7:51-53) (See Chart #4)

a) They did not want to listen or believe what was being taught.

## 24. In what sense should we understand Stephen was "full of the Holy Spirit?" (7:55) (See Chart #3) (Please note the concept of "character")

a) Complete surrender to the Spirit's teaching (Non-miraculous).

## 25. Who were scattered when Saul brought persecution upon the church and who were not scattered? (8:1)

- a) Members of the church were scattered.
- b) The Apostles were not scattered....remained in Jerusalem.

#### 26. What did the scattered Christians do? (8:4)

a) Preached the word every where they went.

#### Lesson Four—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 8:5-9:43**

#### 1. Who were the Samaritan people in relationship to the Jews? (8:5; John 4:1-23)

- a) Jews who had intermarried with Gentiles—had own temple & Law (5 books of Moses).
- b) They were looking also for the Messiah to come.
- 2. What kind of miracles did Philip perform? (8:6-7)
  - a) Cast out unclean spirits, heal palsy, lame.
- 3. What had Simon done to the people of Samaria? (8:9-11)
  - a) Bewitched them with his sorcery.
- 4. What had Philip preached? (8:12)
  - a) Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ
- 5. What was their response? (8:12)a) They believed and were baptized.
- 6. What was Simon's response? (8:13)
  - a) He also believed and was baptized.
- 7. Why was Peter and John sent from Jerusalem to Samaria? (8:14-16) (See Chart #6)a) To give the Holy Spirit to the believing Samaritans (Miraculous gifts).
- 8. What happened when they laid hands on them? (8:17-19) (See Chart #7)
  - a) They received the Holy Spirit (The power to perform miracles).
- 9. Why couldn't Philip have laid his hands on these people and imparted the Holy Spirit? (8:14-17)
  - a) Only the Apostles seemed to have had this power to impart gifts among the church.
- 10. How do we know that laying on of the hands of the Apostles would impart miraculous gifts? (8:13, 18-19)
  - a) Simon saw something.
  - b) After people had received the Holy Spirit, they manifested power of God.

#### 11. What did Simon ask of the Apostles? (8:19)

a) That he could have this power to lay hands on people and impart the Holy Spirit.

#### 12. What was Peter's reply? (8:20-21)

- a) You have no part nor lot in this matter.
- b) Not his to give anyway.

- 13. What was Simon told to do about his sinful condition of heart? (8:22-24)
  - a) Repent and prayer to be forgiven.
  - b) Two Laws of Pardon:
    - 1) One for the alien sinner---Believe, Repent, Baptized.
    - 2) One for the erring Christian---Repent, Pray.
- 14. Who directed Philip to preach to the Ethiopian Eunuch? (8:26)
  - a) Angel of the Lord.
- 15. What was the Eunuch reading and where was it found? (8:28-33)
  - a) Isaiah 53
- 16. Who next told Philip to join himself to the Eunuch's Chariot? (8:9)
  - a) The Spirit
- 17. What did Philip preach to the Eunuch? (8:35)
  - a) Jesus
- 18. How do we know that baptism is a part of preaching Jesus? (8:36-39)
  - a) The Eunuch asked to be baptized.
  - b) How did he know to be baptized?

#### 19. What is indicated here about how baptism is performed? (8:38-39; Rom. 6:4)

- a) It is a going down into water & coming up out of water.
- b) Likelihood is that it would be immersion.
- c) This is what Paul said it was in Rom. 6:4.

#### 20. What did the Spirit do with Philip? (8:39)

a) Caught him away elsewhere.

#### 21. What efforts did Saul make in order to further persecute Christians? (9:1-2)

- a) Got letters from the High Priest to go as far as Damascus.
- b) To imprison Christians.

#### 22. What caused Saul to fall to the ground? (9:3)

a) Bright light.

#### 23. What did Saul hear? (9:4)

a) A voice saying: "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?"

#### 24. How had Paul been persecuting Christ? (9:5)

a) When persecute Jesus' body of people---persecute him.

#### 25. What was he told to do? (9:6)

- a) Arise and go into the city.
- b) There it will be told you what you MUST do.

#### 26. Who was sent to Saul to tell him what he must do? (9:10-17)

a) Ananias.

#### 27. Was Saul saved here on the road to Damascus after having seen the Lord? (9:18; 22:16)

- a) No...He still had to obey like everyone else to be saved.
- b) God is no respecter of persons....all have the same thing to do to be saved.

#### 28. How did Saul call upon the name of the Lord? (22:16; Rom. 10:13-16)

- a) By obeying in baptism.
- b) Doing what he was told to do.
- c) And then expecting the Lord to carry out His promise.

#### 29. How was Saul (Paul) filled with the Holy Spirit? (9:17) (See Chart #8)

- a) Directly from God.
- b) Not Ananias.
- c) Paul was made an Apostle so that he could pass on spiritual gifts to others.
- d) God intervened directly with Saul.

#### 30. Why did the Jews try to kill Saul (Paul)? (9:19-24)

a) Because he preached Christ as the Son of God to the Jews.

#### 31. Did the church at Jerusalem receive Paul (Saul) at first? (9:26-28)

a) No...they were afraid of him.

#### 32. Who else wanted to slay Paul? (9:28-29)

- a) Grecians
- **33. What caused the people of Lydda and Saron to "turn to the Lord?" (9:32-35)** a) The healing of Aeneas (sick of Palsy)

#### 34. What caused many to believe in Joppa? (9:36-42)

a) The raising back to life, Dorcas (Tabitha).

#### Lesson Five—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 10:1-11:18**

#### 1. How is Cornelius described? (10:1-2)

- a) Devout man—feared God with all his house
- b) Gave much alms to people—prayed to God always
- c) Centurion-part of the Italian band

#### 2. What did the angel tell Cornelius to do? (10:3-6)

- a) Send to Joppa for a man called Simon Peter
- b) He will tell thee what thou ought to do

#### 3. What was Peter's vision and what did it mean? (10:9-16, 34-35)

- a) All kinds of unclean animals appeared before Peter & he was told to arise and eat.
- b) His response at first was "NO", he had never eaten unclean mean.
- c) He was told to go with the men calling for him
- d) That the Gentiles were to be saved like the Jews

#### 4. What did the Spirit tell Peter to do? (10:19-20)

- a) Go with the men, nothing doubting.
- b) I have sent them.

#### 5. What had Cornelius done to prepare for Peter's coming? (10:24)

a) Called together his kinsmen and near friends.

#### 6. What did Cornelius do when Peter came in and what was Peter's response? (10:25-26)

a) Fell down before him and worshipped Peter.

b) "Get up, I am a man like you," was Peter's immediate response to Cornelius.

#### 7. What did Cornelius tell Peter that they wanted to hear? (10:33)

a) All things that are commanded of God

#### 8. How is God no respecter of Persons? (10:34-35)

a) He allows all men to be saved regardless of color or national origin

#### 9. What was Peter's message to them? (10:36-42)

a) Preached Jesus Christ—His ministry, miracles, death, Resurrection.

#### 10. Who should receive remission of sins? (10:43)

a) Believers

#### 11. What unusual event occurred while Peter was preaching? (10:44-46) (See Chart #9)

a) Holy Spirit fell on the household of Cornelius

b) They spoke with tongues (Miraculous gift given by Holy Spirit)

- 12. What did this cause among those believers who came with Peter? (10:45)
  - a) They were astonished that the Gentiles had received the outpouring of the Holy Spirit like the Jews did.
  - b) Note: This was promised by both Joel & Jesus
- 13. What miraculous powers were given to the Gentiles from the outpouring of the Holy Spirit? (10:46)
  - a) Spoke in tongues....no other indication.
- 14. What were they commanded to do to be saved? (10:47-48) a) Be baptized in water
- **15. Who objected to what Peter had done with the Gentiles? (11:1-3)** a) They of the circumcision contended with Peter.
- 16. How many Jewish brethren accompanied Peter to the house of Cornelius? (11:12) a) Six
- 17. For what reason had the angel told Cornelius to send for Peter? (11:13-14)a) Hear words whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.
- 18. What connection did Peter make when the Holy Spirit fell on the Gentiles? (11:15-16)a) Remembered how the Lord had promised the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.
- 19. What is "the beginning" Peter referred to? (11:15; Acts 2:1-4)a) Acts 2, when the Holy Spirit fell on the Apostles.

#### 20. What conclusion did they draw from all of this? (11:17-18)

a) Then hath God granted repentance unto life unto the Gentiles.

### 21. Did Cornelius receive the same benefits as the Apostles when the Holy Spirit fell on him?

#### (10:44-47; 8:14-17) (See Chart #8)

a) Only a miraculous gift, not laying on of hands to impart gifts to others.

Lesson Six—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 11:19-12:25**

- To where had the Gospel been preached to this time? (11:19)

   a) Phoenicia, Cyprus, Antioch
- 2. What was the response among the Grecians to the Gospel? (11:20-21)a) Great numbers believed and turned to the Lord
- 3. Why did the Jerusalem church send Barnabas up to Antioch? (11:22-23)a) To exhort them with purpose of heart to cleave unto the Lord
- 4. In what sense was Barnabas "full of the Holy Spirit and faith?" (11:24; Acts 6:3-4) (Note: Character) (See Chart #3)
  - a) His life showed that he was following the Spirit's teaching fully.
  - b) Non-Miraculous
- 5. Why were the disciples called Christians first at Antioch? (11:26; Isaiah 62:2)
  - a) Possibly a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.
  - b) When the church was made up of both Jew & Gentiles.
- 6. How did Agabus signify by the Spirit about a great dearth? (11:27-28) (See Chart #5, #6)
  - a) Through preaching what the Spirit had revealed to him to speak.
- 7. To whom did the Brethren send relief and who handled it? (11:29-30)
  - a) Brethren at Judea
  - b) Elders

#### 8. How was James killed? (12:2)

- a) Killed with the sword
- 9. Is the word "Easter" a proper translation? (12:4)
  - a) No
  - b) Passover is correct.
- 10. How did the church show concern for Peter? (12:5)
  - a) Prayed for him

#### 11. Who released Peter? (12:6-9)

a) An angel

- 12. In whose home were the church members meeting and praying? (12:12)
  - a) John Mark's mother's home (Mary)
- 13. To where did Peter go? (12:17-19)
  - a) To another place (Caesarea)
- 14. Why did Herod die a horrible death? (12:22-23)
  - a) He gave not God the glory
- 15. What happened to the growth of the church? (12:24)
  - a) Word of God grew & Multiplied

#### 16. Who did Barnabas and Saul take back with them to Antioch? (12:25)

a) John Mark

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 13:1-14:28:**

- 1. Did the church at Antioch have men with miraculous gifts? (13:3)
  a) Yes...Prophets & Teachers (Eph. 4:11-16)
- 2. For what purpose did the disciples lay hands on Saul and Barnabas? (13:3)a) To send them out with their blessings & support. (Non-miraculous)
- 3. What role did the Holy Spirit play in all of this? (13:2, 4)
  - a) Had the church to separate out Barnabas & Saul
  - b) Sent them forth.
- 4. What role did John Mark play with Paul & Barnabas? (13:5)a) Minister to them
- 5. With what success did they preach at Paphos? (13:6-12)a) Converted Sergius Paulus, deputy of country.
- 6. Did Paul have miraculous powers? (13:9-11) (See Chart #8) a) Yes
- 7. When did John Mark leave the group? (13:13)a) At Perga
- 8. For how long did Paul say God gave the Israelites Judges? (13:20)a) For about 450 years.
- 9. Of whose seed was the Savior to come? (13:22-23)a) David's
- 10. What proof did Paul give of the resurrection of Jesus? (13:30-37)
  - a) Eye-witnesses
  - b) David's prophecy of not letting Christ's soul remain in (hell) hades.
- 11. What was the reaction to Paul's preaching? (13:42-43)
  - a) Gentiles wanted to hear more.
  - b) Many followed Paul & Barnabas (became Christians)
- 12. What caused the Jews to speak against the things spoken by Paul the next Sabbath? (13:44-45)
  - a) Filled with envy.

#### 13. How did these Jews judge themselves unworthy of eternal life? (13:46)

a) By not accepting the message.

#### 14. How were these Gentiles ordained to eternal life? (13:48)

- a) God's provisions was for those who believed to have eternal life.
- b) But this was an obedient faith.

#### 15. In what sense were the disciples filled with the Holy Spirit? (13:52) (See Chart #3)

a) Hungry for His word, putting it into practice in their lives. (Non-Miraculous)

#### 16. What kind of response to the Gospel was seen at Iconium? (14:1-2)

- a) Great multitude of Jews and Greeks believed.
- b) Some Jews did not believe.

#### 17. Who did signs and wonders? (14:3)

- a) By hands of Paul & Barnabas
- 18. Where did they go next to preach? (14:6-8)
  - a) Lystra, Derbe

#### 19. What two gods did the people of Lystra take Paul and Barnabas for? (14:8-12)

a) Mercury & Jupiter

#### 20. What had God done for the nations that served as a witness of Himself? (14:15-17)

- a) Did good, gave rain, fruitful seasons
- b) Filled hearts with food & gladness

#### 21. Who helped to stone Paul? (14:19)

a) Jews from Antioch & Iconium

#### 22. What did they ordain in all the churches? (14:23)

a) Elders (qualified men)

### 23. What qualifications do men need to meet before being appointed as an elder? (Read 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9)

a) Just read thru these at this time....do not dwell on unless needed)

#### 24. In what sense had God opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles? (14:27)

a) Gentiles had been given opportunity to hear Gospel & believe it.

#### 25. For how long did Paul & Barnabas stay in Antioch? (14:28)

a) Long time??

#### Lesson Eight—Teacher's Notes

#### QUESTIONS ON ACTS 15:1-35; Gal. 2:1-10

- 1. Who came down from Judea to Antioch teaching the necessity of circumcision to be saved? (15:1, 5)
  - a) Sect of Pharisees that believed.
- 2. Who were primarily involved in helping to solve this matter? (15, 6, 28)a) Apostles, Elders, whole church, Holy Spirit
- 3. Who spoke first and what was his conclusion? (15:7-11)
  - a) Peter-----All will be saved by God's grace.
- 4. By what was Cornelius and his house purified? (15:9)a) Faith
- 5. Who spoke next? (15:12)
  - a) Barnabas & Paul
- 6. Who finalized the discussion? (15:13-21) a) James

#### 7. What rules were to be laid upon Gentiles? (15:20)

- a) Abstain from pollution of idols
- b) From fornication
- c) From things strangled (improperly killed)
- d) From blood (drinking it)
- 8. To whom was this letter addressed? (15:23)
  - a) To Gentile Christians at Antioch, Syria, Cilicia
- 9. What two men were also sent with Paul and Barnabas back to Antioch? (15:27)a) Judas & Silas
- 10. What part did the Holy Spirit play in this conclusion? (15:28) (See Chart #6)
  - a) Oversaw the conclusion
- 11. Who decided to stay on at Antioch? (15:34)
  - a) Silas

#### Lesson Nine—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 15:36-18:22:**

- 1. What things are said about Timothy? (16:1-2)
  - a) Son of a Jewish woman, but father was a Greek.
  - b) Well reported of by brethren.
- 2. What indication is given of the growth of churches that Paul was visiting among? (16:5)a) Established in the faith & increased in numbers daily.
- 3. Who forbade them to preach in Asia (province) and Bithynia (province)? (16:6-7)a) Holy Spirit
- 4. Why did Paul go out by the riverside at Philippi? (16:11-13)a) Women had a prayer meeting (Jewish) (No Synagogue)
- 5. How did the Lord open Lydia's heart? (16:14)a) Through preached word...her heart was opened to the message preached.
- 6. What did she do? (16:14-15)
  - a) Baptized...sought Paul & company to stay in her house.

#### 7. Who would her household include? (16:15)

- a) Servants, children who were old enough to be believers.
- 8. Who indicated that Paul and company were servants of the most High God? (16:16-17)a) Demon possessed maiden.

#### 9. How did Paul cast out the evil spirit? (16:18)

a) Commanded in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.

#### 10. What did Paul and Silas do at midnight in jail? (16:25)

a) Prayed & sang praises unto God.

#### 11. Why did the jailer ask: "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (16:30)

- a) Must have connected the things happening with the God Paul worshipped.
- b) He may have been aware also of their preaching a way of salvation through Christ.

#### 12. What all would Paul's answer in verse 31 include? (16:31-34)

- a) Belief
- b) Repentance shown by actions.
- c) Was baptized...why?

#### 13. Why did Paul want to be released publicly? (16:35-40)

a) Take stigma off the church.

#### 14. What Scriptures did Paul use as he preached to the Jews at Thessalonica? (17:1-3)

a) Old Testament

#### 15. What results was seen from this teaching? (17:4)

- a) Some believed & consorted with Paul & Silas.
- b) Devout Greeks, great multitude, chief women not a few.

#### 16. What did the unbelieving do? (17:5-9)

- a) Moved with envy.
- b) Took mob & set them against Paul
- c) Assaulted house of Jason trying to find Paul.

#### 17. How did the Bereans react to the preached word? (17:10-11)

- a) Received word with all readiness of mind
- b) Searched Scriptures daily to see if true

#### 18. What was the results? (17:12)

- a) Many believed
- b) Honorable women who were Greeks, and men not a few.

#### **19. Who abode at Berea when Paul left? (17:14)**

a) Silas & Timothy

#### 20. What was Paul's reaction as he walked through the streets of Athens? (17:16)

a) Spirit was stirred in him when saw city wholly given over to idolatry.

#### 21. Where did Paul have an opportunity to speak to the Philosophers in Athens? (17:18-19)

a) Areophagus

#### 22. How did Paul describe the true God? (17:23-29)

- a) Made the world & all things therein—Lord of heaven & earth
- b) Dwells not in temples made with hands—neither worshipped with men's hands.
- c) Gives to all life, breath, and all things
- d) Made of one blood all nations
- e) Determined the times before appointed—bounds of their habitation
- f) Not far from any one of us—in him we live, move, and have our being.

#### 23. What did Paul say the Athenians must do? (17:30)

a) Repent

#### 24. What did his preaching result into? (17:34)

a) Certain men clave unto him and believed.

#### 25. Who joined Paul at Corinth? (18:5)

a) Silas & Timothy

#### 26. What was the Jews' reactions to Paul's preaching in Corinth? (18:6)

a) Opposed and blasphemed.

#### 27. Who baptized the Corinthians? (18:8; 1 Cor. 1:14-16)

- a) Paul baptized only a few
- b) Others with Paul

#### 28. Who sailed with Paul to Ephesus? (18:18-19)

a) Priscilla & Aquilla

#### 29. Why did Paul not continue preaching in Ephesus? (18:19-21)

- a) Must keep feast at Jerusalem
- b) Large crowd to preach to!!

#### Lesson Ten—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 18:23-21:17:**

#### 1. Who was Apollos? (18:24-25)

- a) Jew, born at Alexandria
- b) Eloquent man, mighty in Scriptures
- c) Instructed in the way of the Lord
- d) Fervent in spirit
- e) Taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John

#### 2. What does it mean, "knowing only the Baptism of John?" (18:26)

- a) Had not been fully taught the gospel
- b) Been baptized with John's baptism evidently

#### 3. How did Aquilla and Priscilla correct him and what did he do? (18:26)

- a) Took him aside
- b) Taught way of the Lord more perfectly
- c) He began preaching the truth.
- d) Presumed that he was baptized in the name of the Lord (Acts 19)

#### 4. To where did Apollos go? (18:27)

- a) Achaia
- 5. Why did Paul ask the twelve disciples if they had received the Holy Spirit since they believed? (19:2) (See Chart #6)
  - a) The Holy Spirit was a gift to those who obey God (Acts 2:38—non-Miraculous indwelling)
  - b) Miraculous gifts were also imparted to help the church to grow.
  - c) Paul was evidently asking if some Apostle had laid hands on them to impart a miraculous gift of the Spirit.

#### 6. What had they been taught? (19:3)

a) They knew only John's baptism.

#### 7. Why were they baptized again? (19:4-5)

- a) Because they had not been properly taught.
- b) Did not properly understand when baptized.
- c) Needed to be baptized by Jesus' authority---according to His will.

#### 8. Why did Paul lay hands on them? (19:6) (See Chart #5)

a) To impart a miraculous gift of the Holy Spirit

#### 9. What disciples did he separate from the Jews? (19:9)

a) Those who had become disciples of Jesus.

#### 10. Where did Paul preach for two years? (19:9-10)

a) Ephesus in the school of Tyrannus

#### 11. What kind of miracles were wrought by Paul? (19:11-17)

- a) Healing of diseases, evils spirits cast out
- b) Handkerchief & aprons touched brings healing
- c) Last mention of demon possession....cast out.

#### 12. What indications of repentance was shown by many? (19:18-19)

- a) Confessed & showed their deeds.
- b) Brought magical books and burned them.

#### 13. Where had Paul made a decision to go? (19:21)

a) Pass thru Macedonia & Achaia to go to Jerusalem, and then to Rome.

#### 14. Who was sent ahead of him into Macedonia? (19:22)

a) Timothy & Erastus

#### 15. Who brought persecution against the church and why? (19:24-34)

- a) The silversmiths at Ephesus
- b) They accused Paul of robbing them of their business by turning people from idolatry.

#### 16. How did the town clerk reason with these people? (19:35-41)

- a) Do not do any thing rash
- b) Use the law to right the wrongs
- c) May be called into account for this unlawful assembly

#### 17. Where did Paul go next and stay for three months? (20:1-3)

a) Macedonia....Greece

#### 18. Who all were travelers with Paul? (20:4)

- a) Sopater of Berea, Aristarchus & Secundus of Thessalonica
- b) Gaius of Derbe, Timothy
- c) Tychicus & Trophimus of Asia

#### 19. What is significant about Paul staying for 7 days at Troas? (20:6-7)

a) To meet with the church of the first day of the week.

- 20. Show a distinction between the terms "breaking of Bread" in 20:7 and 20:11. (See also Acts 2:42-46)
  - a) One is the Lord's Supper in worship (20:7; 2:42)
  - b) Other is a common heal (20:11; 2:46)
- 21. Who did Paul speak to at Miletus? (20:17)
  - a) Elders of Ephesus
- 22. What had Paul taught both Jew and Gentile? (20:21)
  - a) Repentance towards God and Faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 23. How did the Holy Spirit witness of Paul's coming imprisonment? (20:23)
  - a) Through the prophets speaking to him

#### 24. What special admonitions were given to these elders? (20:28-32)

- a) Take heed to yourselves
- b) To the flock that you have been appointed to oversee
- c) To feed (Tend, Shepherd) the flock
- d) Guard against dangers of false teachers
- e) Stay faithful to Word of God

#### 25. What had Paul reminded them about in regards to his support? (20:33-34)

- a) Coveted no man's gold
- b) Worked with own hands to provide his necessities
- c) Realized it is more blessed to give than receive

#### 26. With whom did Paul stay at Caesarea? (21:8-9)

a) House of Philip (had been one of the seven in Acts 6)

#### 27. How did the Holy Spirit tell Paul he would be bound at Jerusalem? (21:10-11)

a) Spoke thru Agabus, the prophet.

#### Lesson Eleven—Teacher's Notes

#### **QUESTIONS ON ACTS 21:18-26:32:**

- What was the results of Paul's recounting of his success among the Gentiles? (21:18-20)

   a) They glorified the Lord
- 2. What problem was James concerned about that he thought Paul could help with? (21:20-25)
  - a) Thousands of Jews that believe, but are being told that you teach that all Jews are to forsake Moses, not be circumcised, nor keep customs.
  - b) Convince them that you are not teaching this!
- 3. What did Paul do? (21:26)
  - a) Purified himself in temple after 7 days of purification
  - b) Signified the accomplishment of the days of purification
  - c) Offering to be made
- 4. What happened when some Jews who knew Paul saw him? (21:27-29)
  - a) Stirred up people...laid hands on him.
- 5. Who rescued Paul from being beaten? (21:31-36)
  - a) Chief captain and soldiers.
- 6. Why did the chief captain allow Paul to speak to the Jews? (21:37-40)
  - a) Learned that he was not the Egyptian who had stirred up people.
  - b) Was of city of Tarsus
- 7. What had Ananias told Paul to do to have his sins washed away? (22:16)
  - a) Arise and be baptized (immersed)
- 8. How did Paul use his Roman Citizenship? (22:25-29)
  - a) Asked the question: "Is it lawful to scourge a Roman citizen uncondemned?"
- 9. How did Paul show respect for the High Priest? (23:1-5)
  - a) When he realized who he was....stated..."Not to speak evil of ruler of people."
- 10. What did Paul say that caused division among his accusers? (23:6-10)
  - a)Mentioned that he believed in the resurrection (Sadduccees did not)
  - b) Squabble among religious leaders over their separate beliefs.

#### 11. How did Paul know he would go to Rome? (23:11)

a) The Lord told him he would bear witness of him in Rome.

#### 12. What caused the chief captain to send Paul to Caesarea? (23:12-35)

- a) A pact that some Jews had made to kill Paul was found out.
- b) Sent him there to protect him.

#### 13. What was Felix's reaction to Paul's defense? (24:10-23)

a) Deferred the matter until Lysias, the chief captain, should come down.

#### 14. What was Felix's reaction to Paul's preaching? (24:24-26)

- a) Trembled
- b) "Go thy way, when I have a more convenient season, I will call for thee."

#### 15. Why did Felix leave Paul in prison when he left? (24:27)

a) To show the Jews a pleasure.

#### 16. What caused Paul to appeal to Caesar for judgment? (25:9-12)

a) He saw that he was not getting anywhere.

#### 17. How knowledgeable was Agrippa? (26:1-3)

a) Expert in all customs and questions among Jews.

#### 18. Why did the Lord appear to Saul? (26:16-18)

- a) Make thee a minister & witness of things seen & heard
- b) Go unto Gentiles—To open their eyes

To give light and turn them unto God

So they could receive forgiveness of sins & an inheritance.

#### 19. What was the results of Paul's sermon to Agrippa? (26:27-28)

a) Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

#### Lesson Twelve—Teacher's Notes

#### **<u>OUESTIONS ON ACTS 27:1-28:31:</u>**

- 1. Who was with Paul on the trip as a companion? (27:2)
  - a) "We" passages indicate Luke was with Paul.
  - b) Also Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica.
- 2. What word of comfort did Paul give to the people on the ship in the terrible storm? (27:22-25)
  - a) Shall be no loss of life among you.
- **3. How many were on the ship? (27:37)** a) 276 souls
- 4. What act caused the island people to believe Paul was a murderer? (28:3-6)a) Bitten by viper when picked up wood
- 5. Who did Paul heal? (28:8-10)a) Father of Publius
- 6. Who met Paul as they traveled to Rome? (28:15)a) The brethren
- 7. What was the results of Paul's speaking to the chief of the Jews in Rome? (28:17-22)a) Wanted to appoint a day and listen to his preaching.

#### 8. Did the Jews believe? (28:24)

- a) Some did (v. 24)...
- b) Paul made it clear that the Gentiles would receive it.
- 9. What did Paul quote from Isaiah about those who did not believe? (28:25-27)
  - a) Seeing won't see
  - b) Hearing, won't hear
  - c) Heart, mind, eyes, ears closed
- 10. How long was Paul in Rome? (28:30-31
  - a) Two whole years.

#### 11. Were the miraculous gifts of the Spirit to cease? (1 Cor. 13:9-10) (See Charts #10, #11)

- a) Yes....states that they would.
- b) When....when that which was perfect (complete revelation) was come.

### 12. After the last Apostle died, who could lay hands on people to impart the gifts? (Eph. 4:4-6) (See Chart #12)

- a) No one
- b) Gifts would have to have ceased by then.

#### 13. Why did Paul say he wanted to go to Rome? (Rom. 1;11-12)

- a) To impart a spiritual gift to them.
- b) An Apostle had to do it!