

# QUESTIONS

All questions are based on the New King James Version of the Bible

## **DAY ONE: Read all notes and references**

1. a. What impressed you most about Paul's visit to Philippi?

b. How would you most like to be like Paul?

2. What most encouraged you from the lecture?

## **DAY TWO: Read Acts 17:1-15 and 1 Thessalonians 1**

*READING: Acts 17:1-15; 1 Thessalonians 1; Isaiah 53; Psalm 16* [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

3. a. After Philippi, where was Paul's next stop?

b. Where did Paul preach there and what was his message?

c. Find phrases from the following Old Testament passages which Paul may have used to support his message when he *reasoned with them from the Scriptures*.

Isaiah 53

Psalm 16

d. What was the initial result of Paul's preaching in the synagogue (17:4)?

4. a. What was the attitude of the unbelieving Jews?
  - b. What trouble did they cause and how did it affect Paul and Silas?
  - c. What were their specific accusations against Paul and Silas?
5. From 1 Thessalonians 1, what more do you learn about Paul's stay in Thessalonica and the church he established there?
6. a. How was the reaction of the Berean Jews different than those in Thessalonica?
  - b. ♥ (Heart Question) How can you be more like the Bereans?
  - c. Why did Paul leave Berea and where did he go next?

**DAY THREE: Read Acts 17:16-21**

*READING: Acts 17:16-21* [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

7. a. After arriving in Athens, what provoked Paul?
  - b. How does our contemporary society engage in idol worship today?

8. What three groups of people did Paul seek to speak with (17:17)?
  
9. a. What two groups of philosophers talked with Paul?
  
- b. Using a dictionary, what do you learn about each?
  
- c. What was their reaction to Paul?
  
- d. Why did they want to hear more of Paul's teaching? Give verses?
  
- e. Are people ever like this today? If so, how?
  
- f. What lesson do you learn from Paul's interaction with the philosophers?

**DAY FOUR: Read Acts 17:22-34**

*READING: Acts 17:22-34; John 16:8* [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

10. a. How did Paul begin his sermon to these pagan people?
  
- b. Breaking Paul's sermon down verse by verse, in your own words, explain the main ideas of the message.  
  
*verses 24-25: (example) God made everything, He is Lord of heaven and earth. Therefore He does not require man-made buildings or the service of men.*

verses 26-27:

verses 28-29:

verses 30-31:

c. Explain how you might apply one of the main points of Paul's sermon.

11. Going back over Paul's sermon:

a. Why is God *Lord of heaven and earth*?

b. In what ways is God the ruler of history?

c. In what ways is God not far from each of us?

d. How was God merciful and patient in the past?

e. Why does He now command repentance?

12. What was the response to Paul's sermon?

13. In John 16:8, Jesus said that when the Holy Spirit came He would convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. How are each of these brought to mind in Acts 17:30-31?

**DAY FIVE: Read Acts 18:1-11**

READING: Acts 18:1-11; Ezekiel 33:1-6 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

14. a. List some things which probably encouraged Paul when he first arrived in Corinth.
- b. What was one discouragement?
15. a. What teaching caused the Jews to oppose Paul? Give verse.
- b. How did Paul respond to the opposition of the Jews?
- c. Can you recall a city where a similar thing had happened?
- d. ? (Thought Question) How does Ezekiel 33:1-6 explain what Paul meant by *Your blood be on your own heads*?
16. a. How long did Paul stay in Corinth?
- b. Why do you think he stayed even though there was strong opposition?

c. Describe a time in your own life when you persevered despite strong opposition.

**DAY SIX: Read Acts 18:12-23**

*READING: Acts 18:12-23; Romans 16:3-5; 1 Corinthians 16:19* [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

17. a. What did the Jews do next to make trouble for Paul?

b. How was Gallio's attitude helpful to Paul?

18. a. When Paul left Corinth, who went with him?

b. What else do you learn about them from:

Romans 16:3-5

1 Corinthians 16:19

19. a. What stops did Paul make on his return trip to Antioch, and what did he do in each place?

b. What words do you find in verse 21 which show that Paul was not following his own plan but God's?

20. Tell about a time when you knew that you were following God's plan for your life. Describe the reasons why you knew you were following God's will.