

Third Missionary Journey, Part 4: Paul's Determination to go to Jerusalem

S p e e d b u m p s

Psalm 37:4 Delight yourself in the LORD; and He will give you the desires of your heart.

Acts 20:4 And he was accompanied by Sopater of Berea, the son of Pyrrhus, and by Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians, and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy, and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia.

- 13** But we, going ahead to the ship, set sail for Assos, intending from there to take Paul on board; for so he had arranged it, intending himself to go by land.
- 14** And when he met us at Assos, we took him on board and came to Mitylene.
- 15** Sailing from there, we arrived the following day opposite Chios; and the next day we crossed over to Samos; and the day following we came to Miletus.
- 16** For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be in Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost.



17 From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church.

36-38 When he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. And they began to weep aloud and embraced Paul, and repeatedly kissed him, grieving especially over the word which he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they were accompanying him to the ship.

Acts 21:1 When we had parted from them and had set sail, we ran a straight course to Cos and the next day to Rhodes and from there to Patara;

2 and having found a ship crossing over to Phoenicia, we went aboard and set sail.

- 3 When we came in sight of Cyprus, ~~leaving it~~ **raising it up** on the left, we kept sailing to Syria and landed at Tyre; for there the ship was to unload its cargo.
- 4 After looking up the disciples, we stayed there seven days; and they kept telling Paul through the Spirit ~~not to set foot in Jerusalem~~ **to stop going to Jerusalem.**
- 7 When we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais, and after greeting the brethren, we stayed with them for a day.
- 8 On the next day we left and came to Caesarea, and entering the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, we stayed with him.
- 9 Now this man had four virgin daughters who were prophetesses.
- 10 As we were staying there for some days, a prophet named Agabus came down from Judea.
- 11 And coming to us, he took Paul's belt and bound his own feet and hands, and said, "This is what ~~the~~ Holy Spirit says: 'In this way the Jews at Jerusalem will bind the man who owns this belt and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.'"
- 12 When we had heard this, we as well as the local residents began begging him not to go up to Jerusalem.
- 13 Then Paul answered, "What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be bound, but even to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."
- 14 And since he would not be persuaded, we fell silent, remarking, "The will of the Lord be done!"

Acts 23:11 But on the night immediately following, the Lord stood at his side and said, "Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause at Jerusalem, so you must witness at Rome also."

Romans 1:9-10 For God, whom I serve in my spirit in the preaching of the gospel of His Son, is my witness as to how unceasingly I make mention of you, always in my prayers making request, if perhaps now at last by the will of God I may succeed in coming to you.

Psalms 20:4 May He grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your counsel!

Hosea 11:4 I led them with cords of a man, with bonds of love,
and I became to them as one who lifts the yoke from their jaws