

Sermon Notes Acts 21:15–26 (ESV)

15 After these days we got ready and went up to Jerusalem. 16 And some of the disciples from Caesarea went with us, bringing us to the house of Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we should lodge. 17 When we had come to Jerusalem, the brothers received us gladly. 18 On the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present. 19 After greeting them, he related one by one the things that God had done among the Gentiles through his ministry. 20 And when they heard it, they glorified God. And they said to him, "You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed. They are all zealous for the law, 21 and they have been told about you that you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children or walk according to our customs. 22 What then is to be done? They will certainly hear that you have come. 23 Do therefore what we tell you. We have four men who are under a vow; 24 take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses, so that they may shave their heads. Thus all will know that there is nothing in what they have been told about you, but that you yourself also live in observance of the law, 25 But as for the Gentiles who have believed, we have sent a letter with our judgment that they should abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality." 26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day he purified himself along with them and went into the temple, giving notice when the days of purification would be fulfilled and the offering presented for each one of them.

(Answer key located on the last page)

I. Christian	(Acts 21:15-16)
Key Point: You know what you	and you're
willing to	by it, even when it's hard.
Paul's conviction came from:	
Experiencing	personally.
	through ministry.
Understanding his	as an apostle.
Challenge: When was the last tin	ne you chose to
God when it was inconvenient or	
Building Conviction (Daily):	
	29:11.
 Read Write one way you'll 	God's plan.
3. Take one step of	even when
uncomfortable.	
II. Christian	(Acts 21:17-21)
Key Point: You care about how other people.	your affect
Apply "The Listen-First Rule": I	Before responding in any
disagreement, repeat back what to confirm you understand.	
III. Christian	(Acts 21:22-26)
Key Point: Voluntarily setting as	side personal or
wher	it removes barriers to the gospel.

	Key Questions:		
1. 2.	Does this require me to der Will this help or of Jesus?	y biblical people's understa	? anding
Before with over an emandisagree	LICATION: e you leave today, choose on over preferences (not biblical ail this week with this messa reement. Can we talk about h onors God?"	truth). Text, call, or send ge: "I've been thinking a	d them bout our
Which	SONAL REFLECTION: n of the three marks (conviction of the three marks) u struggle with most? Why?	on, consideration, comp	romise)
	MITMENT : specific step will you take thi	's week to grow in matur	e faith?
□ Choo and rea □ Daily plan.	T STEPS: pose one person you've been in the seach out this week. It read Jeremiah 29:11 and we natify one personal preference papel.	vrite one way you'll trust	God's

Answer Key

Point I: Christian Conviction

Believe | stand | Jesus | power | mission | obey | Jeremiah | trust obedience

Point II: Christian Consideration actions

Point III: Christian Compromise

Rights | preferences | truth | hurt

The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

(Romans 3:23)

The Uglv News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Romans 6:23a)

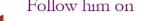
Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! "God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins.

Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9–10)

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