

FILTERING SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP ACTS 19:17-31 | ERIC SIMPSON | AUGUST 21, 2022



Marked with humility, tears and trials

Acts 20:18-19

18 When they arrived, he said to them: "You know how I lived the whole time I was with you, from the first day I came into the province of Asia. 19 I served the Lord with great humility and with tears, although I was severely tested by the plots of the Jews.

humility = servanthood, selflessness, ego crucified

tears = compassion, genuine care & concern for people

trials = suffered, endured, persevered...they've weathered storms and remained faithful to Jesus in and through the deep valleys and dark days

Teach the whole counsel of God

Acts 20:20-21

20 You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. 21 I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.

Acts 20:27

For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God.

Acts 20:29-31

29 I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. 30 Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. 31 So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

"For a number of years I have now annually read through the Bible twice. If the Bible were a large tree and all its words were little branches, I have tapped at all the branches, eager to know what was there and what it had to offer." – Martin Luther (1483-1586)

Bound by the Spirit of God to the will of God

Acts 20:22-23

22 "And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. 23 I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me.

compelled = dedemenos (Greek) = to tie, fasten, bind, chain

Committed to finish

Acts 20:24

However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me — the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.



Luke Whitmore stopped to help a cross-country runner on another team during a race in Florida, sacrificing his own finishing position as he carried him to the finish line finishing 162nd & 163rd!

SMALL GROUPS – a place to get connected!!!

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Noon – Mike & Tina Sim, at the church, michaelsim@gmail.com (open to anyone)

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