

The Apostle Paul, Servant of Christ

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Session Thirty-Nine
Topic: Ministry in Asia

What the study tonight is about:

- **7.1.2 Ministry in Asia (52-55 AD)**
- **7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, part four**

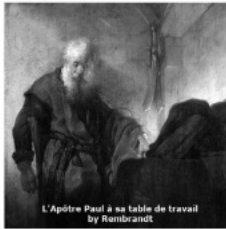


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An Overview Survey of the Contributions of this Christian Leader



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- **Unit II: Paul the Missionary**
- **Chapter 7: 3rd Miss. Jorney.**
- **7.1.2 Ministry in Asia**
- **7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, pt. Four – the riot**



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- **Session Thirty-nine:**
 - Taken from chapter seven of the book
 - Emphasis on the beginning of the ministry in Asia
 - 7.1.2 Ministry in Asia
 - 7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, part four
- **Learning Goals:**
 - 1. Learning about doing missions from the text
 - 2. Understanding how this information has been interpreted



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7.1.0 Third Missionary Journey, Overview

- **Acts 18:23 – 21:16**

7.1.1 Galatia-Phrygia (52 AD)

- Acts 18:23

7.1.2 Asia (52-55 AD)

- Acts 19:1-20:1

7.1.2.1 Ministry of Apollos

- Acts 18:24-28

7.1.2.2 Ministry in Ephesus

- Acts 19:1-20:1



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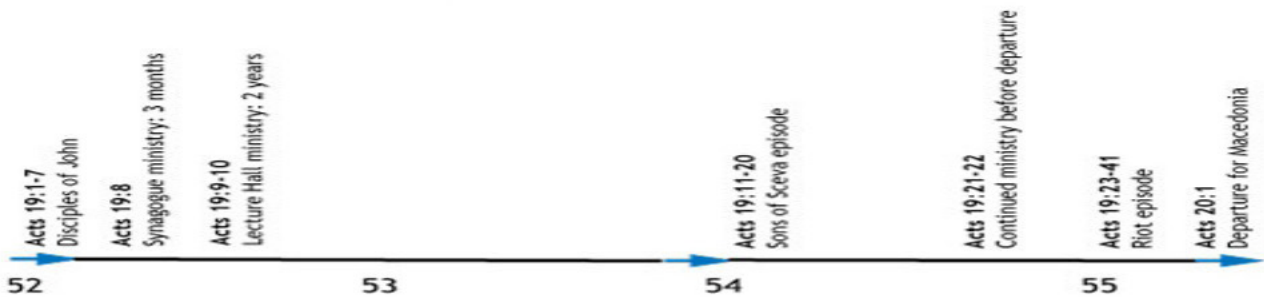


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7.1.0 Third Missionary Journey, Overview

- **Acts 18:23 – 21:16**
- **7.1.2.2 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:1-20:1**
 - 7.1.2.2.1 Scene 1: the Disciples of John, Acts 19:1-7
 - 7.1.2.2.2 Scene 2: Ministry in the city, Acts 19:8-10
 - 7.1.2.2.3 Scene 3: The sons of Sceva, Acts 19:11-20
 - 7.1.2.2.4 Scene 4: Riot in the city, Acts 19:21-20:1
 - 7.1.2.2.5 Snapshots of Paul's ministry in the city, 1 & 2 Corinthians

Acts 19:1 - 20:1 Ephesian Ministry



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7.1.2.2.3 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:21-22

Scene 1: Planning ahead

21 Ὡς δὲ ἐπληρώθη ταῦτα, ἔθετο ὁ Παῦλος ἐν τῷ πνεύματι διελθὼν τὴν Μακεδονίαν καὶ Ἀχαΐαν πορεύεσθαι εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα εἰπὼν ὅτι μετὰ τὸ γενέσθαι με ἐκεῖ δεῖ με καὶ Ῥώμην ἰδεῖν. 22 ἀποστείλας δὲ εἰς τὴν Μακεδονίαν δύο τῶν διακονούντων αὐτῷ, Τιμόθεον καὶ Ἔραστον, αὐτὸς ἐπέσχεν χρόνον εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν.

21 Now after these things had been accomplished, Paul resolved in the Spirit to go through Macedonia and Achaia, and then to go on to Jerusalem. He said, "After I have gone there, I must also see Rome." 22 So he sent two of his helpers, Timothy and Erastus, to Macedonia, while he himself stayed for some time longer in Asia.



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7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:23-27

Scene 2: Opposition from Demetrius

23 Ἐγένετο δὲ κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν ἐκεῖνον τάραχος οὐκ ὀλίγος περὶ τῆς ὁδοῦ. 24 Δημήτριος γάρ τις ὄνοματι, ἀργυροκόπος, ποιῶν ναοὺς ἀργυροῦς Ἀρτέμιδος παρείχετο τοῖς τεχνίταις οὐκ ὀλίγην ἐργασίαν, 25 οὓς συναθροίσας καὶ τοὺς περὶ τὰ τοιαῦτα ἐργάτας εἶπεν· ἄνδρες, ἐπίστασθε ὅτι ἐκ ταύτης τῆς ἐργασίας ἡ εὐπορία ἡμῖν ἐστίν 26 καὶ θεωρεῖτε καὶ ἀκούετε ὅτι οὐ μόνον Ἐφέσου ἀλλὰ σχεδὸν πάσης τῆς Ἀσίας ὁ Παῦλος οὗτος πείσας μετέστησεν ἱκανὸν ὄχλον λέγων ὅτι οὐκ εἰσὶν θεοὶ οἱ διὰ χειρῶν γινόμενοι. 27 οὐ μόνον δὲ τοῦτο κινδυνεύει ἡμῖν τὸ μέρος εἰς ἀπελεγμὸν ἐλθεῖν ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸ τῆς μεγάλης θεᾶς Ἀρτέμιδος ἱερὸν εἰς οὐθέν λογισθῆναι, μέλλειν τε καὶ καθαιρεῖσθαι τῆς μεγαλειότητος αὐτῆς ἣν ὅλη ἡ Ἀσία καὶ ἡ οἰκουμένη σέβεται.

23 About that time no little disturbance broke out concerning the Way. 24 A man named Demetrius, a silversmith who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the artisans. 25 These he gathered together, with the workers of the same trade, and said, "Men, you know that we get our wealth from this business. 26 You also see and hear that not only in Ephesus but in almost the whole of Asia this Paul has persuaded and drawn away a considerable number of people by saying that gods made with hands are not gods. 27 And there is danger not only that this trade of ours may come into disrepute but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be scorned, and she will be deprived of her majesty that brought all Asia and the world to worship her."



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7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:28-32

Scene 3: Outburst in the city

28 Ἀκούσαντες δὲ καὶ γενόμενοι πλήρεις θυμοῦ ἔκραζον λέγοντες· μεγάλη ἡ Ἄρτεμις Ἐφεσίων. 29 καὶ ἐπλήσθη ἡ πόλις τῆς συγχύσεως, ὥρμησάν τε ὀμοθυμαδὸν εἰς τὸ θέατρον συναρπάσαντες Γάϊον καὶ Ἀρίσταρχον Μακεδόνας, συνεκδήμους Παύλου. 30 Παύλου δὲ βουλομένου εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν δῆμον οὐκ εἶων αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταί· 31 τινὲς δὲ καὶ τῶν Ἀσιαρχῶν, ὄντες αὐτῷ φίλοι, πέμψαντες πρὸς αὐτὸν παρεκάλουν μὴ δοῦναι ἑαυτὸν εἰς τὸ θέατρον. 32 ἄλλοι μὲν οὖν ἄλλο τι ἔκραζον· ἦν γὰρ ἡ ἐκκλησία συγκεχυμένη καὶ οἱ πλείους οὐκ ᾔδεισαν τίνος ἕνεκα συνεληλύθεισαν.

28 When they heard this, they were enraged and shouted, “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!” 29 The city was filled with the confusion; and people rushed together to the theater, dragging with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were Paul’s travel companions. 30 Paul wished to go into the crowd, but the disciples would not let him; 31 even some officials of the province of Asia, who were friendly to him, sent him a message urging him not to venture into the theater. 32 Meanwhile, some were shouting one thing, some another; for the assembly was in confusion, and most of them did not know why they had come together.



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7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:33-34

Scene 4: Anger against the Jews in the theater

33 ἐκ δὲ τοῦ ὄχλου συνεβίβασαν Ἀλέξανδρον, προβαλόντων αὐτὸν τῶν Ἰουδαίων· ὁ δὲ Ἀλέξανδρος κατασείσας τὴν χεῖρα ἤθελεν ἀπολογεῖσθαι τῷ δήμῳ. 34 ἐπιγνόντες δὲ ὅτι Ἰουδαῖός ἐστιν, φωνὴ ἐγένετο μία ἐκ πάντων ὡς ἐπὶ ὥρας δύο κραζόντων· μεγάλη ἡ Ἄρτεμις Ἐφεσίων.

33 Some of the crowd gave instructions to Alexander, whom the Jews had pushed forward. And Alexander motioned for silence and tried to make a defense before the people. 34 But when they recognized that he was a Jew, for about two hours all of them shouted in unison, “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!”



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7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 19:35-41

Scene 5: The Wisdom of the town clerk

35 Καταστείλας δὲ ὁ γραμματεὺς τὸν ὄχλον φησὶν· ἄνδρες Ἐφεσίοι, τίς γὰρ ἐστὶν ἀνθρώπων ὃς οὐ γινώσκει τὴν Ἐφεσίων πόλιν νεωκόρον οὖσαν τῆς μεγάλης Ἀρτέμιδος καὶ τοῦ διοπετοῦς; 36 ἀναντηρήτων οὖν ὄντων τούτων δεῖον ἐστὶν ὑμᾶς κατεσταλμένους ὑπάρχειν καὶ μηδὲν προπετὲς πράσσειν. 37 ἡγάγετε γὰρ τοὺς ἄνδρας τούτους οὔτε ἱεροσύλους οὔτε βλασφημοῦντας τὴν θεὸν ἡμῶν. 38 εἰ μὲν οὖν Δημήτριος καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ τεχνῖται ἔχουσιν πρὸς τινα λόγον, ἀγοραῖοι ἄγονται καὶ ἀνθύπατοί εἰσιν, ἐγκαλείωσαν ἀλλήλοις. 39 εἰ δὲ τι περαιτέρω ἐπιζητεῖτε, ἐν τῇ ἐννόμῳ ἐκκλησίᾳ ἐπιλυθήσεται. 40 καὶ γὰρ κινδυνεύομεν ἐγκαλεῖσθαι στάσεως περὶ τῆς σήμερον, μηδενὸς αἰτίου ὑπάρχοντος περὶ οὗ [οὐ] δυνησόμεθα ἀποδοῦναι λόγον περὶ τῆς συστροφῆς ταύτης. καὶ ταῦτα εἰπὼν ἀπέλυσεν τὴν ἐκκλησίαν.

35 But when the town clerk had quieted the crowd, he said, "Citizens of Ephesus, who is there that does not know that the city of the Ephesians is the temple keeper of the great Artemis and of the statue that fell from heaven?e 36 Since these things cannot be denied, you ought to be quiet and do nothing rash. 37 You have brought these men here who are neither temple robbers nor blasphemers of ourf goddess. 38 If therefore Demetrius and the artisans with him have a complaint against anyone, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls; let them bring charges there against one another. 39 If there is anything furtherg you want to know, it must be settled in the regular assembly. 40 For we are in danger of being charged with rioting today, since there is no cause that we can give to justify this commotion." 41 When he had said this, he dismissed the assembly.



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7.1.2.2.4 Ministry in Ephesus, Acts 20:1

Scene 6: Paul leaves Ephesus

20.1 Μετὰ δὲ τὸ παύσασθαι τὸν θόρυβον μεταπεμπόμενος ὁ Παῦλος τοὺς μαθητὰς καὶ παρακαλέσας, ἀσπασάμενος ἐξῆλθεν πορεύεσθαι εἰς Μακεδονίαν.

20.1 After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples; and after encouraging them and saying farewell, he left for Macedonia.



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- **The Ministry in Ephesus, Extended Ministry**
- **What can we learn from it?**
 - ✓ **1. The importance of planning ahead**
 - ✓ **2. The essential role of assistants helping us**
 - ✓ **3. Count on the irrationality of opponents**
 - ✓ **4. Don't ignore the wise council of Christian friends**
 - ✓ **5. Trust God to guide you through crisis moments**
 - ✓ **6. Affirm your relationships with Christian friends**



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- **NEXT Session:**
- **7.1.2.5**
- **Third Missionary Journey**
- **Ministry in Ephesus cont.**
- **Snapshots of ministry in 1 & 2 Corinthians**



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Thank You for Coming!
Gracias por venir esta noche!
Until Next Week!
Hasta la próxima semana!
Have a safe trip home!
Tener un viaje seguro a casa!



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