

Paul's Third Missionary Journey (Pt. 3)

Acts 21-22

I. Paul's Journey Back to Jerusalem

- Luke joins the team
- Paul's impact in Tyre

II. Paul's Determination Despite the Hesitations

- Whenever the risks outweighed the benefits, Paul left
- Whenever the benefits outweighed the risks, Paul pressed on
- The benefits of going to Jerusalem:
 - 1.) To give money to meet needs.
 - 2.) To bring unity between Jew and Gentile believers.

III. Paul's Humility Despite the Accusations

- Paul's humility in his missionary report
- False rumors about Paul's ministry
- Paul's willingness to participate in the Nazirite vow
- “As believers, we do what we know is right out of a motivation to honor God, not with the expectation that things will get better.”
- 3 keys to avoiding false assumptions in relationships:
 - 1.) If you have a concern, believe the best.
 - 2.) If you have reason to doubt the best, talk to the person.
 - 3.) If you decide to talk to the person, do so in a humble & gentle fashion.

IV. Paul's Witness Despite the Opposition

- “Whenever there is a trial to be experienced, there is an opportunity to be seized.”
- Whenever there is a trial, there is an opportunity!