

UNSCRIPTURAL? OR UNSCRIPTED?

Acts 21:1-14

Theme: God's will and Paul's Determination to go to Jerusalem

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God's will may not be addressed in a p_____ ; but by a scriptural p_____ .

Paul had "p_____ *in the spirit...to go to Jerusalem*" (19:21).

He later said, "And now, behold, I go b_____ *in the spirit unto Jerusalem*" (20:22).

I. PAUL E_____ ED NOT TO GO UP TO JERUSALEM (1-6)

A. The Route (1-3a)

B. The Residence (3b-4a)

1. THE D_____ (3b)

2. THE D_____ (4a)

C. The Resistance (4b-6)

1. THE R_____ ATION (4b)

"who said to Paul" is lit., "who _____ saying to Paul"

2. PAUL'S D_____ ATION (5-6)

The Holy Spirit, through these disciples, is not Pro_____ ing Paul; He is Pr_____ ing Paul!

II. PAUL U_____ ED NOT TO GO UP TO JERUSALEM (7-12)

A. The Route (7-8a)

B. The Residence (8b-9)

"Philip," not the a_____ but the "evangelist."

C. The Resistance (10-12)

1. THE P_____ (10)

2. THE P_____ (11)

3. THE P_____ (12)

The Holy Spirit, through Agabus, is not Prohibiting Paul; He is Pr_____ ing Paul!

III. PAUL UN_____ ED NOT TO GO UP TO JERUSALEM (13-14)

A. A Clear Re_____ ation (13)

1. PAUL'S P_____ QUESTION (13a)

2. PAUL'S P_____ READINESS (13b)

The word "name" refers to Jesus Christ _____ in the book of Acts. In the name of Jesus Christ, Christians are s_____ (2:21; 4:12; 10:43), are baptized (2:38; 8:12, 16; 10:48; 19:5), are themselves named (15:17), saw miracles performed (3:6, 16; 4:7, 10; 4:30; 16:18; 19:13 [attempted], 17), witness (9:15), preach the gospel (9:27, 29), and for His name are p_____ (4:17, 18; 5:28, 40, 41; 9:14, 16, 21; 15:26; 21:13).

B. A Quiet Re_____ ation (14)

Paul going to Jerusalem was not Unscript_____, even though it was Unscript_____.

"The Spirit never forbade him to go to Jerusalem; these revelations only forewarned and prepared him to be r_____ for what awaited him." (Lenski)

"I had rather be in the h_____ of Africa in the will of God than on the t_____ of England out of the will of God." (Missionary David Livingstone)