

Unit 11, Lesson 46,

Acts 21:17-28:31, Ephesians, Colossians

<p>Daily Readings: Day 1: Acts 21:17-23:35 Day 2: Acts 24,25,26 Day 3: Acts 27,28 Day 4: Ephesians 1,2,3 Day 5: Ephesians 4,5,6 Day 6: Colossians 1,2 Day 7: Colossians 3,4</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">For Intro to all of Acts, see lesson 40</p> <p>ACTS 21-28 The city of Rome now takes center stage, as Paul, arrested per the prophecy, in Jerusalem, appeals his case to Caesar, and makes the journey there to close the history portion of the New Testament. The letters following in this and part of the next lesson, are written from a Roman prison, awaiting trial . All of these events take place in A.D. 57-60 .</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">QUESTIONS, ACTS</p> <p>1. At the advice of the elders, what did Paul do to “appease” the Jews?(21:17-26)_____</p> <p>2. Why was Paul beaten by Jews?(21:27-31)_____</p> <p>3. Who rescues him?(21:31-36)_____</p> <p>4. What is Paul’s request?(21:37-40)_____</p> <p>5. What story does Paul tell the mob?(22:1-21)_____</p> <p>6. At what word do they turn him off?(22:21-23)_____</p> <p>7. As he is about to give his second defense, what is discovered?(22:24-29)_____</p> <p>8. Who is Paul’s next audience?(22:30-23:2)_____</p> <p>9. How does Paul start an argument in the crowd?(23:6-10)_____</p> <p>10. What is the plot to kill Paul, and who exposes it? (23:12-22)_____</p> <p>11. What point is omitted from Claudius’ letter to Felix? (23:23-30)_____</p> <p>12. Whom did the Jews find to “badmouth” Paul?(24:1-9)_____</p> <p>13. To what does Paul “confess” before Felix (Roman governor after Pilate)?(24:10-16)_____</p> <p>14. How is Felix affected by Paul’s teaching?(24:22-25)_____</p>	<p>15. Who and when was the next governor?(24:26-25:1)_____</p> <p>16. Why the long imprisonment?(24:25-27)_____</p> <p><i>note: Felix was an evil ruler, with 3 wives, and a long list of personally justified crimes. He was so bad many Jews rose against him. Reaction to his enemies finally brought on the destruction of Jerusalem,70</i></p> <p>17. After a nearly identical scene with Festus, to whom does Paul appeal?(25:1-12)_____</p> <p>18. When Festus described the “Paul” case to (Herod) Agrippa, what was the king’s response?(25:13-22)_____</p> <p>19. What does Festus need, to send Paul to Augustus? (25:23-27)_____</p> <p>20. In Paul’s thinking, why is he being judged?(26:1-8)_____</p> <p>21. Paul here tells more of his work against believers. Describe:(26:9-11)_____</p> <p>22. What is Festus’ conclusion about Paul?(26:24)_____</p> <p>23. And Agrippa’s?(26:26-32)_____</p> <p>24. Who rejoins Paul, on board a ship to Rome?(27:1ff)_____</p> <p>25. How many ships did they need to get to Rome? (27:1,27:6,28:11)_____</p> <p>26. How was Paul treated on the trip?(27:1-3,42-44)_____</p> <p>27. How did Paul’s prophecy change, and WHY?(27:10, 21-26)_____</p> <p>28. What human reasoning drove the helmsman on? (27:11)_____</p> <p>29. What were the sailors pretending to do?What were they doing?How were they stopped?(27:27-32)_____</p> <p>30. Describe the natives’ “philosophy”(28:2-6)_____</p> <p>31. List the miracles of this chapter:_____</p> <p>32. Why did the Jews of Rome want to hear Paul’s story?(28:17-22)_____</p> <p>33. What effect did he have in their lives?(28:23-29)_____</p> <p>34. Awaiting trial, what is Paul doing, and how long? (28:30-31)_____</p>
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INTRO , EPHESIANS

Ephesus is the commercial center of Asia (Minor), and a center of Diana worship as well. The magnificent temple to that goddess was one of the 7 wonders of the ancient world. On both his second and third preaching tour, Paul visited this city, staying nearly 3 years the second time. He put a dent in Diana worship, and had to move on, ending the relationship with the tearful farewell of Acts 20. He wrote to the church while imprisoned in Rome, about A.D. 60. In it he tries to get the Ephesian believers to be aware of their riches in Christ, and to live a life worthy of their calling in Him.

QUESTIONS, EPHESIANS

- 1. How long have we been chosen?(1:3-6)_____
- 2. What all has been “predestined” regarding our salvation?(1:5-12)_____
- 3. How was God’s inheritance “secured.”?(1:13-14)_____
- 4. What did Paul wish for the Ephesians?(1:15-19)_____
- 5. How many Heads to the church?(1:22-23)_____
- 6. How saved, and how NOT?(2:4-10)_____
- 7. What 2 groups have been made “one”?(2:11-18)_____
- 8. Describe the Church’s “foundation”.(2:19-22)_____
- 9. Describe the great “mystery” now revealed. (3:1-12)_____
- 10. What would Paul’s trouble and prayers bring to the Ephesians?(3:14-21)_____
- 11. To what does Paul call the Ephesians in 4:1-7?_____
- 12. What are the gifts of the Spirit for?(4:7-15)_____
- 13. Victory in the Christian life is a matter of putting “off”_____and putting “on”_____explain.(4:17-30)_____
- 14. Describe the Christ-like love.(5:1-2)_____
- 15. What is the Christian attitude toward any degree of sin (darkness)?(5:3-12)_____
- 16. What is one way to keep “filled” with the Spirit? (5:18-21)_____
- 17. How and why the “submission” of the wife?(5:22-24)_____
- 18. What is the model for male love of spouse?(5:25-29)_____

19. What reasons given for children obeying parents? (6:1-3)_____

20. How can we apply the servant/master teaching today?(6:5-9)_____

21. Since the enemy is unseen, what sort of armor and weapons do we need?(6:10-18)_____

22. Who was Tychicus?(6:21-22,Colossians 4:7,8)Acts 2 0 : 4)

INTRO, COLOSSIANS

While Ephesians focuses on the Body of the church, Colossians is on the Head. Note a similar division of chapters, and similar teachings on the family etc. Colosse was about 100 miles east of Ephesus, a minor town by Paul’s day. The church was founded by Epaphras, who may have heard the Gospel from Paul during his third preaching trip (Acts 19-20). These two letters and Philemon written about 60-61, in a Roman prison. Paul was never in Colosse, but he heard about an approaching heresy that combined Greek, Jewish, and Oriental errors to the exclusion of Christ.

QUESTIONS, COLOSSIANS

- 1. What does Paul know of the Colossians, and from whom?(1:3-8,4:12-13)_____
- 2. In what ways is Christ to be preeminent?(1:15-22)_____
- 3. Again, what is the now-revealed mystery?(1:24-29)_____
- 4. How did Paul “see” the Colossians?(2:1-5)_____
- 5. What is Paul’s answer to the empty philosophies of h i s (a n d o u r) d a y ? (2 : 8 - 1 0) _____
- 6. And his answer to Jewish legalism?(2:11-17)_____
- 7. What is his answer to earth-centered, human-centered religion?(2:18-3:4)_____
- 8. List some additional things to put “off” in this letter: (3:5-9)_____
- 9. And to “put on”.(3:10-15)_____
- 10. Music is also a way to have what in you?(3:16)_____
- 11. What is our responsibility to those on the “outside”? (4:5,6)_____
- 12. Who is Onesimus?(4:9, Philemon 10)_____
- 13. Who is there at the jail with Paul?(4:10-14)_____
- 14. What other church will read this letter?(4:15-16)_____