MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK: Acts 16:30-31

"Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."



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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Read Acts 14

- 1. Paul and Barnabas are now in Iconium, a wealthy town in Asia Minor (Northwest of Israel). There is a Jewish community here where Paul and Barnabas preached. What was the crowd's response? Paul and Barnabas fled to Lystra and Derbe, two nearby towns. Who followed them?
- 2. In Lystra, Paul healed a crippled from birth man. Who did the crowds think Paul was (v12)? What was Paul's response? Contrast to the response of Herod Agrippa I (Acts 12:23-23).
- 3. Paul is stoned and thought dead. Somehow, the next day he went to Derbe where he preached and made many disciples (21-22). What was Paul's mission in life? (See Matthew 28, 19-20.)
- Prayer: Lord, give me Your words to share with unbelievers, not counting the cost to my own earthly frame and worldly reputation.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Read Acts 15

- 1. "No small dissension" (15:2). Here come the Judaizers, a group promoting the concept that Gentiles had to be more "Jewish" and observe their customs, such as circumcision. Do you see the destructive power of "works based righteousness" entering into the early church? What is Paul's response in verse 11?
- 2. The leaders of the "church convention" wrote a letter to the Gentiles concerning the proper role of Jewish customs. In addition to Silas, who did they send to deliver it (22)? Where have we seen him before (Acts 1:23-26)? How did he respond to not being selected to replace Judas?
- 3. "... a sharp disagreement" (v39). Paul and Barnabas disagree and split. Paul probably felt betrayed by "John called Mark". Can you forgive someone and still not trust them? Barnabas did, Paul didn't. What do you think is the right approach?
- Prayer: Lord, let me accept your "assignments" for me, as did Barsabbas, and continue to serve You in whatever way You want.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Read Acts 16

- 1. In verse 1, we meet Timothy. Who is he? What type of relationship develops between Timothy and Paul? To whom did Paul write his last letter from a prison in Rome?
- 2. Paul cast out a demon from a young "slave girl" (v18). Who was probably thankful? Who was definitely NOT thankful (v19)?
- 3. Paul and Silas, back in jail. Again. Inner prison, chained to the stocks. What did they do in response (v25)? What happened next? (v33-34)
- Prayer: Lord, let my joy in You be always apparent to the lost of the world, that they may see Your salvation and join all believers in the gift of eternal life!

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Read Acts 17

- 1. Paul goes to Greece, first in Thessalonica. What was the response of the Jews (v5)? To where did Paul and Silas go next? Who followed them? Don't these guys have jobs???
- 2. In Athens, Paul meets a new type of unbeliever Philosophers. What was their response (v20)? What do they do all day long (v 21)? Don't these guys have jobs either???
- 3. Paul preaches. Some mocked, some said they wanted to hear more but some believed (v34). What was Paul's response (33)?
- Prayer: Lord, let me know when to share Your Gospel and when to move on for fields You've prepared for the seed of Your Word.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Read Acts 18

- 1. Paul relocates his ministry to Corinth. Who joins him? How long does he stay in Corinth? How does Jesus encourage him (v9-10)?
- 2. The Jews attack again. This time, under Gallio, the civil authorities do not intervene. Who do the Jews seize and beat? (v17). What is the difference between righteous anger and worldly anger?
- 3. Apollos, from Alexandria, is mentioned as an "eloquent man, competent in Scriptures" (v24). Who helped him with his incomplete understanding of Jesus (26)? Where is he mentioned again?
- Prayer: Lord, let me hear and acknowledge Your teaching so that I may properly share Your Word.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Read Acts 19

- 1. Paul leads a "revival" in Ephesus. What gift do the believers receive (v6). In Sunday school last week, we discussed "speaking in tongues"? How does this scripture influence your belief on the topic?
- 2. Have you ever been to an exorcism? What happened when the sons of a Jewish high priest tried it in the name of Paul (16)?
- 3. A riot erupts! The profits of the world (Artemis wanting to exploit his god by selling artifacts) come against the prophets of God. How long did the crowd yell in "the theater". What does the "town clerk" do in verse 41?
- Prayer: Lord, give me wisdom when to speak and when to be silent.

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