

God is Greater!

Acts 19.8-41

Focus: when we see God's greatness, we should repent of lesser gods we trust in and trust Him more fully, especially when we face resistance to His message.



Paul's Third Missionary Journey

Discussion:

- Share stories you have heard recently of persecution of Christians around the world. (you may want to research one to share in more detail. See the sidebar for starters)
- How have you faced spiritual opposition? What kind of fears does that press you with?
- Read the entire passage. In what ways is God's hand evident in protecting Paul and spreading the Word? Who all does he use in the process?
- How does God's sovereign greatness in these stories encourage you as you think about facing spiritual opposition?
- How does Paul's example in the passage encourage and challenge you?
- Spend time praying for open doors (Col. 4.3, 4) for the gospel in the lives of your 1-1-1 friends! Pray that God's greatness would embolden us!

Here are two articles on modern day persecution of Christians:

<http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2014/november/on-edge-of-extinction.html?share=lofmHHzxYLKELNVIbhVI9DluTcOOwDmN>

<http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/the-faqs-islamic-state-beheads-21-egyptian-christians-in-libya>

2014-2015 Acts Focus

To advance our church in our knowledge and experience of the Spirit in such a way that we will increasingly embrace His ministry in and through us, especially in witness.

