



ACTS

Disciples Making Disciples

Acts 20:13-38

Acts 20:16-17

The elders travelled from Ephesus to Miletus to meet with Paul because:

- The harbour was more useful in Miletus
- Paul was trying to avoid the crowds

Acts 20:18-20

Paul travelled from house to house because:

- The church in Ephesus was comprised of house churches
- The original form of fellowship
- Much of the work of the churches in Acts happened in peoples homes
- Still the most viable form of underground church in many parts of the world

²⁴ But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

Acts 20:24 (ESV)

²⁸ Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹ I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰ and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.

Acts 20:28-30 (ESV)

Diligence

- Diligence requires a constant and earnest effort

¹⁰ For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister. ¹¹ And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end,

Hebrews 6:10-11 (NKJV)

Obedience

¹⁵ “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

John 14:15 (NKJV)

- Delayed obedience is simply disobedience

Are you diligently obedient?

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV)