

## The Third Journey

**Bible Text:** Acts chapters 18:23 - 21:16.

At the end of **Acts Chapter 18** Paul begins his third journey. It begins at Antioch just like the first two. He visits the following cities.

- **Tarsus** - Traveled through the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.” NKJV
- **Derbe** - Galatian region and
- **Iconium** - Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples.
- **Antioch** -
- **Ephesus** - Aquila and Priscilla took Apollos aside and taught him more accurately. Paul spent 2 years here. He taught in the synagogue and the school of Tyrannus. Paul had special powers and healed the sick and cast out evil spirits. Some Jewish exorcists tried to do this in the name of Jesus but the evil spirits jumped on them. Demetrius the silversmith caused a great uprising because idol sales were down. The mob cried “Great is Diana of the Ephesians” for two hours until the town clerk quieted them down.
- **Macedonia** (Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea)
- **Greece** (Athens and Corinth) Paul spent 3 months here and planned to sail back to Syria. He learned of a Jewish plot and decided to go back through Macedonia.
- **Troas** - Paul stayed there 7 days and preached on the first day of the week. It was a long sermon that lasted until midnight. Eutychus fell asleep and fell out of the window and died. Paul raised him from the dead.
- **Miletus** - Paul called the Ephesian elders. He warned them to feed the flock and watch for savage wolves (false teachers) even among themselves. He said goodbye for good.
- **Tyre** - They warned Paul not to go to Jerusalem. The whole congregation came out to see him depart.
- **Caesarea** - Paul came to the house of Philip (one of the 7 of chapter 6). He had four daughters that prophesied. Agabus, a prophet from Judea, came to see them. He took Paul’s belt and bound himself, saying that would happen to Paul in Jerusalem.
- **Jerusalem** - End of third journey (Acts 21:17)

## Memory Verse

**Acts 5:41-42** - “So they departed from the presence of the counsel, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.” NKJV

## Questions

1. Apollos was mighty in the \_\_\_\_\_. How did he show the Jews that Jesus was the Christ? (Acts 18:24-28)
2. Circle one. When did the twelve men at Ephesus receive the Holy Spirit gifts (Acts 19:1-7)
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| When they believed. | When they were baptized. | When Paul laid his hands on them. |
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3. Why do you think God allowed evil spirits to possess people in the first century (Acts 19:11-20)

4. Consider these facts about the false god Diana (Artemis) and the riot in Ephesus (Acts 19:23-41.)

Demetrius and the silversmith's business was based on her popularity.

The silversmiths were worried that Paul's teaching would dethrone her from her magnificence.

The people yelled loudly to prevent Alexander from being heard.

The riot was powerful, energetic, emotional, and fueled by the people shouting "Great is Diana of the Ephesians".

The town clerk vaguely stated that the greatness of Diana was an undeniable fact, and lied that the image fell down from heaven.

Now answer this question. Why do you think there are so many false doctrines today that are so popular and what keeps them going?

5. When did the disciples at Troas gather to break bread? (Acts 20:7)

6. Who was Eutychus and what happened to him? Where was this? (Acts 20:6-12)

7. What warning did Paul give to the Ephesian elders? (Acts 20:28-30)

8. How was Paul supported financially during the 3 years at Ephesus (Acts 20:33-35, 18:3)

9. What did the disciples at Tyre tell Paul? (Acts 21:3-4)

10. At Caesarea, what did Agabus prophesy? (Acts 21:10-12)