

3rd Journey
~ Ephesian Riot ~
Acts 19:23-41

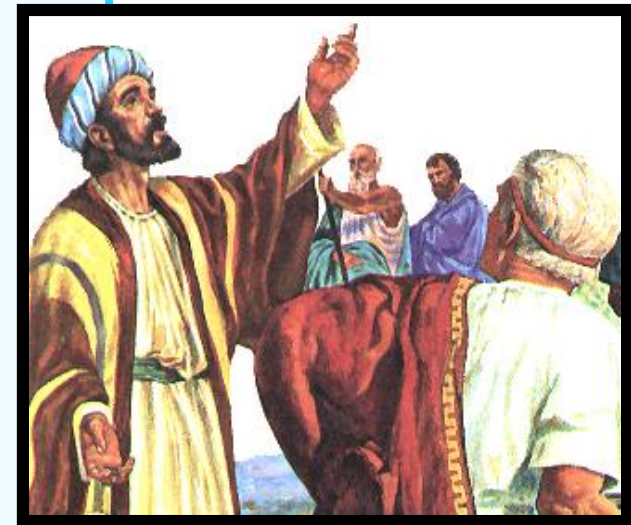
Preaching in the School of Tyrannus (Acts 19: 8-10)

19:9 He withdrew from them and took away the
disciples

*Synagogue leaders would be furious !
They'd see it as "synagogue splitting"*

Reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus.

- *Tyrannus was likely a public teacher of philosophy or rhetoric.*
- *He and Paul would have occupied the room at different hours.*
- *Whether the room was rented or donated is—unstated.*



Pergamum

Smyrna

Ephesus

Thyatira

Sardis

Philadelphia

Laodicea

7 Churches
Rev 2-3

**Longest
Any
where !**

**19:10 Reasoning
daily in the
school of
Tyrannus**

**This took place for *2 years*
So that *all who lived in*
Asia heard the word ..
*By others (Col 1:7: 2:1)***

Miracles in Ephesus (Acts 19 : 11-20)

19:11-12 Extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, so that handkerchiefs or aprons were carried from his body to the sick..

Articles would be brought to Paul who would then send it back to the sick person.

Paul didn't beg for cash like modern Televangelists.



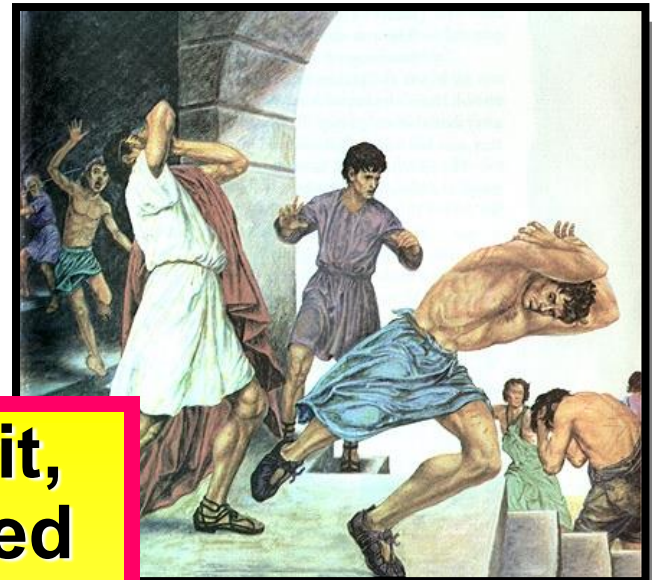
Rev? POPOFF: Now I am obeying God and Loaning you my blessed handkerchief. I use the word "loan" because I must send my faith handkerchief to another family who has a need after you use it and print your name on it.

Miracles in Ephesus (Acts 19 : 11-20)

19:13-15 Jewish exorcists.. attempted to name over those who had the evil spirits.. saying "I adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preaches."

19:14 Seven sons of one Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this.

19:16 the man with the evil spirit, leaped on them ... & overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.



Miracles in Ephesus (Acts 19 : 11-20)

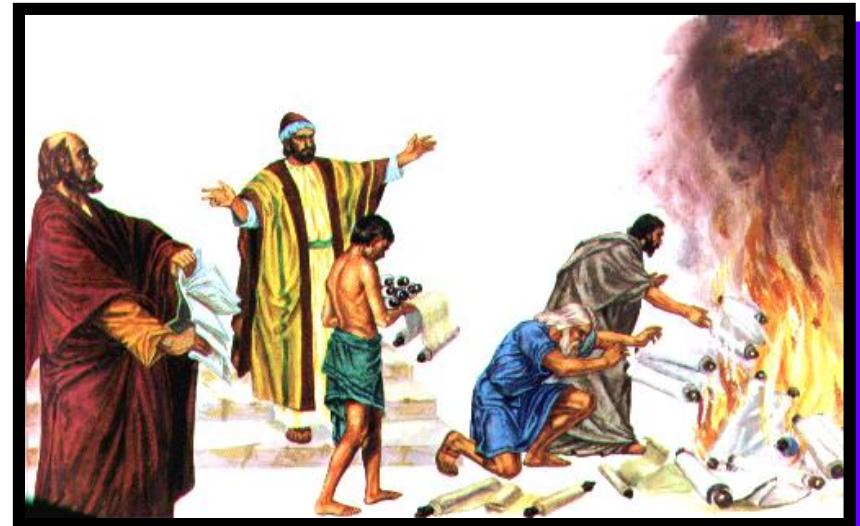
19:19 Many of those who practiced magic brought their books together & began burning them in the sight of everyone; and they counted up the price of them and found it *50,000 pieces of silver*.



50,000 pieces would equal a man's wage for 137 years!

This doesn't require that they all became Christians, only that they renounced *deceitful occult practices*.

Compare Eddersheim:
Life & Times vol 2; p. 775.





Timothy Sent to Corinth (Acts 19 : 21-22)

19:22 Paul.. sent into Macedonia two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus

City Treasurer
(Rom 16:23)

- 1 Corinthian letter written here while Paul tarries at Ephesus (1 Cor 16:7-9) ◀
- Letter carried by Timothy to Corinth (1 Cor 4:17) ◀
- Proof? Paul wasn't in Ephesus on 1st journey. He didn't tarry here on 2nd journey. And doesn't stop here on the way back on 3rd (Acts 20:16-17) ◀

1 Corinthian Letter



Purpose:

**Solve Problems
& answer questions
reported to Paul by
saints from Corinth
(1 Cor 1:11)**

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| 1 – 4 | Divisions |
| 5 | Church discipline |
| 6 | Lawsuits |
| 7 | Marriage |
| 8 – 10 | Expediencies |
| 11 | Lord's Supper |
| 12 – 14 | Spiritual gifts |
| 15 | Resurrection |
| 16 | Giving |

Timothy Sent to Corinth (Acts 19 : 21-22)



Erastus, the City Treasurer (Rom 16:23)
Paul's attendant at Ephesus (Acts 19:22)

CORINTHIAN ERASTUS INSCRIPTION:

*This inscription contains the name of **Erastus** (RASTVS) which was the name of a Christian official in Corinth. This stone was found in Corinth and many believe that this is the man mentioned in the Bible.*

The Ephesian Riot (Acts 19 : 23-41)

19:24-25 For a man named Demetrius, a *silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis,* was bringing no little business to the craftsmen



- Artemis to the Greeks, Diana to Romans
- Fertility goddess mother goddess of “the whole earth.”
- Preeminent goddess of classical Greece. Her nature is contradictory: A Huntress who protected animals; Protector of life and bringer of plagues & Sudden death. An eternal Virgin – mother of all living.
- Ephesus was the capitol for her worship. Her temple being right there !

The Ephesian Riot (Acts 19 : 23-41)

19:27 Not only is there danger that this trade of ours fall into disrepute, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis be regarded as worthless and that she whom all of Asia and the world worship will even be dethroned from her magnificence

Measured 180' x 375'

- It was built in 550 BC
- Made entirely of Marble
- Largest bldg in Grk world
- Destroyed in 350 BC
- Then Rebuilt in 3rd c. BC
- This one Paul visited.
- One column remains now



The Ephesian Riot (Acts 19 : 23-41)

19:29 The city was filled with the confusion, and they rushed with one accord into the theater, dragging along Gaius and Aristarchus, Paul's traveling companions from Macedonia.

v.29 Paul's traveling companions picked up along the way (20:4) *were seized*.

v.30-34 Riot goes on for *two hours*.

v.35-41 *Town clerk* quiets rioters. God *really did 1 Cor 1:9-10*

This theater was built in 50 BC. Just a few years before Paul came. It held 25,000 people !



Review Cities of the 3rd Journey ~ chap 19



1. **Antioch** (of Syria) *Paul & Titus, Tim begin journey*
2. **Galatia**-- *Telling churches to collect for the poor in Jeru*
3. **Phrygia**-- *Strengthening all the disciples*
4. **Ephesus**-- *Paul baptized 12, Teaches for 2 years;
Writes 1 Corinthians, Riot occurs.*

*Still have the cities of chapters 20 & 21
to **complete** the Third Journey*