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Study No. 4 Paul in Ephesus



Acts 19: 1-41



Ephesians 2: 8 & 9

Suggested Further Reading
Ephesians 2: 1-10

Ephesus was a city dominated by the worship of the goddess Diana (Artemis). The temples dedicated to her were full of vice and corruption. The apostle Paul had visited this city at the end of his second missionary journey. Now, some time later, he returned as he had promised he would, if it was God's will. (See Acts 18: 19-21.)

Upon arrival, Paul found twelve disciples, who had not heard the whole story of the Lord Jesus Christ. Paul asked them several questions about what they believed.

Write out the questions and the answers they gave.

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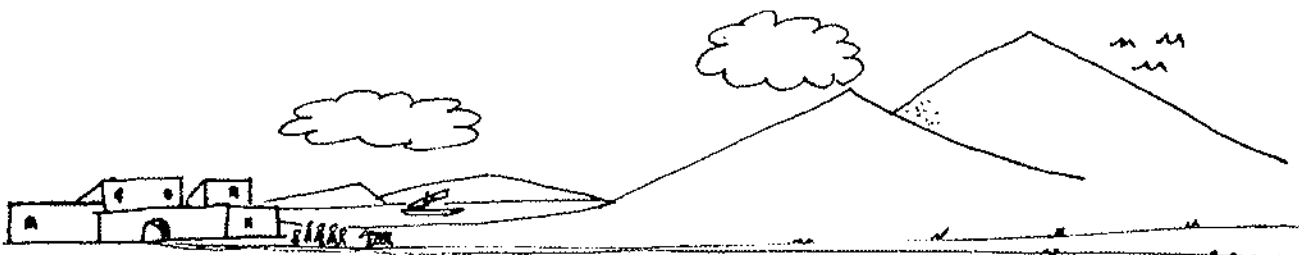
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Paul then explained to them that this baptism was different from Christian baptism. John the Baptist had pointed people forward to the Lord Jesus, who was then yet to come. Now the Lord Jesus had not only come but had done everything necessary to put away our sins. These men at once put their faith in Christ and showed this by being baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

NUMBERS - To what do the following numbers refer? Write a sentence about each.

2 years -
2 hours -
3 months -
7 sons -
12 disciples -
50,000 drachmas - (or pieces of silver)

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PEOPLE - Write a sentence about each of the following men.

Erastus - (v. 22)

Demetrius - (v. 24)

Aristarchus - (v. 29)

Town (City) Clerk - (v. 35)

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REACTIONS -

What was the reaction of some of the Jews to Paul's preaching in the synagogue? (See vs. 5, 8 & 9.)

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What was the reaction of the Ephesians to what happened to the seven sons of Sceva?

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The special miracles performed by Paul in Ephesus are specifically stated as being by the power of God. (See v. 11.) When certain Jews tried to copy Paul they were unsuccessful.



Read carefully what Demetrius said to his fellow craftsmen in verses 24 - 27.

What was their reaction to Demetrius' words?

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In spite of all the opposition, the Word spread far and wide. Jews and Greeks throughout all Asia heard the 'Word of the Lord' and many were saved. (See v. 10.)

The Key Verses tell us how they received this great blessing. Write out the Key Verses.

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Ephesians chapter 2 is worth studying, if you want to be sure about salvation. Because the Ephesian Christians were sinners like us, they are described in the early verses (vs. 1-3) as being dead as far as God is concerned. However, by faith in the Lord Jesus they were made alive and brought into the blessings of salvation. Paul said that good works cannot save, but faith in Christ can. (vs. 8 & 9) Good works are then a proof of salvation. (See v. 10.)

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