

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: March 15, 2017
Acts 19:23-41

1. What does verse 23 tell us happened at about the time Paul sent Timothy and Erastus to Macedonia? _____

2. Why were Demetrius and the other craftsmen upset about the growth of Christianity in Ephesus, according to verses 24-27?
 - a. They were upset that their goddess was being discredited.
 - b. They were upset about the source of their income being messed with.
 - c. What is it that gets us the most riled up? It was probably that!
3. Is it possible to discredit a true God or rob him/her of his/her divine majesty?
Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

4. When we are upset because of selfish motives, do we justify it by citing more noble (or holy) reasons for our anger? Yes_____ No_____ Give an example. _____

5. Who were Aristarchus and Gaius?
 - a. They were traveling companions of Paul both before and after this (Acts 20:4).
 - b. Aristarchus was later a fellow prisoner with Paul for the Gospel along with John Mark (Colossians 4:10).
 - c. Aristarchus was a fellow worker with Paul, mentioned alongside John Mark, Demas, and Luke (Philemon 1:24)
 - d. Gaius was one whom Paul baptized in Corinth (1 Corinthians 1:14)
 - e. Gaius was Somebody commended by the apostle John as faithful (3 John 1-8)
 - f. Gaius was Paul's host in Corinth during the writing of the letter to the Romans (Romans 16:23)
 - g. It's hard to say who Gaius was in this instance because it was a very common Greek name.
6. As a review, why might these men have been with Paul? _____

7. Why were the people so upset, according to verses 32? _____

8. Who was it that stopped the mob? _____

9. What do we rely on when people oppose us, our ability to get ourselves out of the situation or God's faithfulness? _____
