

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: April 5, 2017
Acts 21:17-36

1. What happened in verse 17?
 - a. They finally arrived at Jerusalem after many stops along the way.
 - b. The brothers and sisters received them warmly.

2. What did they do the next day, according to verse 18? _____

3. What did Paul do in verse 19? _____

4. How did James and the elders respond, according to verse 20?
 - a. They praised God.
 - b. They pointed out the Jews who have believed in Christ.
 - c. They told Paul that the Jews who have believed are zealous for the law and have been told that Paul teaches Jews who live among the Gentiles to turn away from the law.

5. Is this true? Yes _____ No _____ Explain (See Romans 2:13-16). _____

6. What do James and the elders propose that Paul does about this?
 - a. Join four men in a purification ritual.
 - b. Pay the expenses for the men to shave their heads.
 - c. Show the Jews that you yourself are living in obedience to the law.
 - d. To the Jews, become like a Jew (see 1 Corinthians 9:19-23, Acts 16:3).

7. What do James and the elders say about the Gentile believers (see Acts 15:1-35, 16:4, Galatians 2:1-9)? _____

8. What did Paul do, according to verse 26? _____

9. What happened in 27-35?
 - a. Since Paul did this, all the Jews were happy with him.
 - b. The Jews from Asia were still pursuing him from place to place and stirred up the crowd at the temple.
 - c. They Jews lied about him that he was teaching against the law and accused him of defiling the temple by bringing Gentiles into it.
 - d. The whole city went crazy and the dragged Paul from the temple and tried to kill him.

10. Why was Paul being hassled when he had done everything possible to do the will of God and be in right relationship with people as well? _____

11. Will it be different for us? Yes _____ No _____ Explain. _____

12. How will we respond? _____