

SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Pastor Tony Felich

Proclaiming Jesus to the End

Acts 28:17-31

February 23, 2020

Sermon Text	Sermon Notes
<p>Acts 20:24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.</p> <p>Acts 28:17 After three days he called together the local leaders of the Jews, and when they had gathered, he said to them, “Brothers, though I had done nothing against our people or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered as a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans. [18] When they had examined me, they wished to set me at liberty, because there was no reason for the death penalty in my case. [19] But because the Jews objected, I was compelled to appeal to Caesar—though I had no charge to bring against my nation. [20] For this reason, therefore, I have asked to see you and speak with you, since it is because of the hope of Israel that I am wearing this chain.” [21] And they said to him, “We have received no letters from Judea about you, and none of the brothers coming here has reported or spoken any evil about you. [22] But we desire to hear from you what your views are, for with regard to this sect we know that everywhere it is spoken against.” [23] When they had appointed a day for him, they came to him at his lodging in greater numbers. From morning till evening he expounded to them, testifying to the kingdom of God and trying to convince them about Jesus both from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets. [24] And some were convinced by what he said, but others disbelieved. [25] And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: “The Holy Spirit was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet: [26] “Go to this people, and say, “You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.” [27] For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed; lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.’ [28] Therefore let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will listen.” [30] He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, [31] proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.</p>	<p>Paul fulfilled God’s mission for him, proclaiming Jesus to the end. What about you? Us?</p>

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Sermon Application Questions

Prayer Requests

1. How did Paul assess his potential obstacles to his mission in Rome and how might we do the same when strategizing for evangelism?

This week our family will lift up requests for:

2. Discuss the different methods Paul used to proclaim Christ in verse 23 and how this informs Christians.

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

3. What does verse 24 reveal about evangelism?

4. What are some possible reasons Luke didn't end Acts with Paul's death?

HFG Notes & Actions:

5. Discuss this statement from John Stott-

The Acts of the Apostles have long ago finished. But the acts of the followers of Jesus will continue until the end of the World, and their words will spread to the ends of the earth.

Next HFG meeting is: