

The Unstoppable Gospel

Acts 28:17-31

Lifecycle

Things and events have: _____ / _____ / _____

Why do things and events end?

_____ limitations and failings

_____ limitations, enemies, and obstacles

Overview of Acts from Acts 1:6-8

In _____: Acts __-__, Peter

In all _____ and _____: Acts __-__, Philip & Peter

To the _____ of the earth: Acts __-__, Barnabas, Paul

Overview of Acts 21-28

Paul was _____ in Jerusalem (Judea)

Jewish _____ were upset with Paul

Paul's claim that Jewish traditions were _____

Paul including Gentiles among _____ people

They accused him of crimes before _____ rulers

Paul "appealed to _____" to try to get justice

Paul had just arrived in _____ as a prisoner after a 4-month journey that almost took his life

Acts 17-31

17-22: Paul: _____ reached out to the Jewish leaders

In chains because of the "_____ of Israel"

God will send a Savior (_____) to rescue them:

Restore the _____ → resurrection

Paul: I am not against _____ and not against _____!

Jewish leaders: _____, yet want to hear more

This is often true for us:

People are skeptical of _____ and Christianity

Perhaps have _____ & _____ many concerning things,

or it seems that we are _____ them

Yet we often share the same _____ and _____

_____, _____ conversations can be powerful!

23-29: Paul explained Jesus from a _____ perspective

The Kingdom of God and Jesus the _____

Thoroughly and _____

Not just to inform them. Tried to _____ them

_____ response: some belief and some resistance

Paul quoted Isaiah: Their hearts were _____

Prophetic warning → hoping for a _____ of heart!

Ongoing pattern: "For the _____ first, and also the Gentile"

30-31: Though still a prisoner, Paul continued to _____

Message: the _____ of God and _____

Boldly and without hindrance → maybe...

Bold=_____ strength

Without hindrance=_____ resistance failed

In-person and in _____

Presumably supported by _____

Ends with _____ optimism in the growth of the Gospel even in _____

The Big Idea:

The Good News of Jesus Christ

will _____ and _____ to all peoples

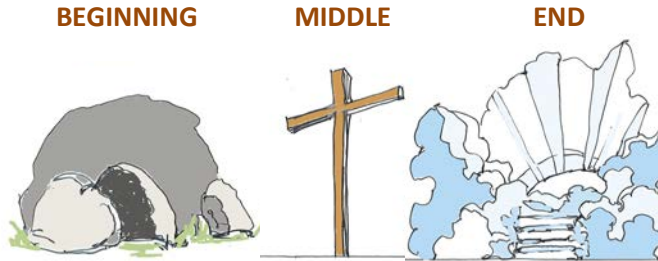
until the end of this age

By the _____ and power of God

Even through human and supernatural _____ and _____

This is the big idea of all of _____: with all _____ and without _____

Christianity: Christians:



Colossians 2:12

Matthew 16:24

Colossians 3:4

2 Timothy 2:8-9

Application:

Boldly: _____ the Kingdom of God and Jesus

_____ the Kingdom/God's ways: share the _____

The _____: be an image of God's values in _____

In the _____: actively pursue God's _____ and _____

_____ of the Kingdom: share the _____

The _____ of Jesus Christ

The _____ of the Spirit of God in us

Without _____: No matter the challenges

Be confident in _____ and His Gospel by the _____

Focus on the _____, not the _____

Not naïve or blind faith

Rather: focus on the _____ power and glory of God

Nothing can stop the _____!

It may take twists and turns

There may be _____ days

Let's share the Good News by God's power together!

Reflection Questions

- What forces or events or problems tend to erode your confidence in the work of God in your life?
- What forces or events or problems tend to erode your confidence in the work of God in the Church? in our church?
- What helps restore your confidence in the power and the promise of God that the Good News will grow and go to all peoples until the end of this age?
- What is one way that you can boldly share the "fruits" of the Kingdom of God this week?
- What is one way that you can boldly share the "root" of the Kingdom of God this week?