The JOURNEYMEN

"We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, I will give it to you: come with us, and we will do you good..." -- Numbers 10:29

Book Study #19 ACTS Acts 21:1 - 36

On To Jerusalem – Paul's Arrival at Jerusalem – Paul Arrested

Before we begin this journey...

1. When was a time you rejected the advice or counsel of virtually everyone who cared about you?
2. What are some ways your life-style or way of life is different from that of your parents?
3. How does it make you feel when someone is treated unfairly?

Do Some Research and Mapping...

4. At Tyre, what did the Christians advise Paul to do? (21:4)
5. Why did Paul ignore the believers' warning? (21:5-6)
6. What did Paul say to the Christians at Caesarea? (21:13-14)
7. What did Paul report? To whom? (21:18-19)
8. What concern did the church leaders voice? (21:20)
9. What did the leaders of the church suggest that Paul do? Why? (21:22-24)
10. Who stirred up the crowd and seized Paul? Why? (21:27-29)
11. Why were the temple gates shut? (21:30-31)
12. How did the commander and his soldiers save Paul's life? (21:32)
13. Why was Paul carried away by the soldiers? (21:35-36)

Sort, Organize, Discuss, Understand...

14. How do you think Paul felt about going to Jerusalem?
15. Why did Paul ignore all the warnings against going to Jerusalem?
16. What was at the heart of the controversy between the Jews and the Gentiles?
17. What is the difference between compromising God's will and doing something in order to avoid offending someone?
18. How can we decide when we should stand up for our beliefs and when we should give in for the sake of others?
19. Why were the Jews from Asia so angry at Paul?
20. What groups are particularly anti-Christian today?

Application for this week...

(for later on this week...)

21. Now, after reading again in Acts and writing down a couple of "big" thoughts, how are you feeling about the formation of the early church and how or what do you "think" about your own commitment to the Gospel of Christ...

A prayer for your journey… *"Lord Jesus, as I walk through this coming week, help me prepare for my journey by reading my Bible more regularly, seeking help as I need it from my Christian friends and focusing on the needs of others instead of myself. Help me to demonstrate my faith by stepping into the unknown, untried, and untested areas of my life."* *-Amen*

Direction Finder...

"Homework": Reread Acts 1–21:36. Write down one or two "big" thoughts regarding this period of time...