

Are You Burning Bridges?

Paul meets with the elders from Ephesus (Acts 20:16-38)

- I. Paul calls for the Elders in Ephesus to join him in Miletus (Acts 20:16-17)
- II. Paul's message to the Ephesian Elders (Acts 20:18-35)
 - A. Paul _____ his past ministry in Ephesus (Acts 20:18-21)
 1. I _____ served God
 2. I _____ for God
 3. I was _____ by the Jews
 4. I _____ preached the truth of God's Word to you
 5. I taught all people to _____ and put their _____ in Jesus
 - B. Paul's present plans to go to Jerusalem (Acts 2:22-27)
 1. Paul, led by the Holy Spirit, is going to Jerusalem despite what _____ await him (Acts 20:22-23)
 2. Paul was not worried because God's work was more _____ than his life (Acts 20:24)
 3. Paul has no doubt that he has _____ his work in Ephesus (Acts 20:25-27)
- III. Paul's _____ to the Elders (Acts 20:28-35)
 - A. Paul exhorts the Elders to be on _____ (Acts 20:28-31)
 1. Watch over _____ (Acts 20:28a)
 2. Watch over your flock which God _____ to you (Acts 20:28b)
 3. Watch out for _____ among you (Acts 20:29-31)
Their goal: To _____ the _____ of God's Word
 - B. Paul _____ the Elders (Acts 20:32)
 - C. Paul _____ them to follow his example (Acts 20:33-35)
 1. _____ to care for your needs (Acts 20:33-34)
 2. _____ for those in need (Acts 20:35)
- IV. The difficult _____ (Acts 20:36-38)

Questions to Ponder

- I. Is your purpose in life was to _____ and _____ God?
- II. Are you _____ the truth of God's Word?

III. Who has God _____ to your care?

IV. Are you _____?
(Are you trying to _____ the kind of relationships that Paul had with the Elders in Ephesus?)