

Strategic Relocations - Acts 17B

Acts 17:10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

Explained why Paul strategically relocated. God relocated Pastor Win Worley from Texas to the Chicago area to begin the deliverance ministry.

Jesus relocated when an area did not receive Him & His ministry.

Luke 8 referred to sowing seed in rocky soil.

The Holy Spirit prevented Paul from going certain ways in Acts 16.

Romans 7:18-21 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not. 19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. 20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. 21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

Mark 16:17,18 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Acts 14:19 And there came thither *certain* Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew *him* out of the city (Lystra), supposing he had been dead. 20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

Mark 6:5 And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them.

John 8:59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, & went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, & so passed by.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Matthew 10:37 He that loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: & he that loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

Luke 9:23 And he said to *them* all, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

John 12:36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.

Acts 17:14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.

Acts 9:25 Then the disciples took him by night, and let *him* down by the wall in a basket.

Acts 23:23,24 And he called unto *him* 2 centurions, saying, Make ready 200 soldiers to go to Caesarea, & horsemen threescore & ten, & spearmen 200, at the third hour of the night; 24 And provide *them* beasts, that they may set Paul on, & bring *him* safe unto Felix the governor.

Acts 23:12,13 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. 13 And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

Joshua 2:15,16 Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house *was* upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall. 16 And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

Explained physical battle tactics to use spiritually against the demons.

Jonah - Summarized God sending him to Nineveh.

Jonah 2:9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation *is* of the LORD.

1 Samuel 19:12-17 So Michal let David down through a window: & he went, & fled, & escaped. 13 And Michal took an image, & laid *it* in the bed, & put a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster, & covered *it* with a cloth. 14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He *is* sick. 15 And Saul sent the messengers *again* to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him. 16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, *there was* an image in the bed, with a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster. 17 And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, & sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? & Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill thee?

1 Samuel 20:42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever. And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.

Acts 14:6,7 They were ware of *it*, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about: 7 And there they preached the gospel.

There are some 250 references of fleeing in the Bible - a good study.

Best to choose what battles in life to face & which to walk away from.

Exodus 2:15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well.

God took 40 years in the wilderness to prepare Moses.

Exodus 4:3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

- 1 Samuel 19:10 And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the javelin; but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night.
- 2 Chronicles 35:22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo. (& was killed).
- 1 Samuel 19:12 So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.
- 1 Samuel 19:18 So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.
- 1 Samuel 20:1 And David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan, What have I done? what *is* mine iniquity? and what *is* my sin before thy father, that he seeketh my life?
- 1 Samuel 21:10 And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to Achish the king of Gath.
- 1 Samuel 22:20 And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.
- 1 Samuel 23:6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to David to Keilah, *that* he came down *with* an ephod in his hand.
- 1 Samuel 27:4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him.
- 2 Samuel 15:14 And David said unto all his servants that *were* with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.
- 2 Samuel 24:13,14 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me. 14 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies *are* great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.
- Psalms 3:1 A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son. LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many *are* they that rise up against me.
- Matthew 10:23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.
- Psalms 57:1 To the chief Musician, Altaschith, Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul in the cave. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto

me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until *these* calamities be overpast.

Job 1:21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

Acts 7:29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons.

1 Kings 19:2,3A Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do *to me*, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. **3** And when he saw *that*, he arose, and went for his life,

Matthew 7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

Daniel 4:16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; - Ask God to give them a heart of man for heart of beast.

1 King 18:37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou *art* the LORD God, and *that* thou hast turned their heart back again.

Romans 1:31 & 2 Timothy 3:3 Without natural affection,

John 16:8 And when He (Holy Spirit) is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 15:24 If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

Psalms 3:1-8 A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son. LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they that rise up against me. **2** Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God. Selah. **3** But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. **4** I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah. **5** I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me. **6** I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. **7** Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly. **8** Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah.

Summarized Situation with Uriah; David repenting & being forgiven; & God's punishment on David.

Romans 6:1,2 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? **2** God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Acts 5 Referred to Ananias & Sapphira lying to the Holy Spirit & died.

1 Corinthians 11:29,30 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth

and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

Psalms 57:1-6 To the chief Musician, Altaschith, Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul in the cave. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast. 2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me. 3 He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth. 4 My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword. 5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be above all the earth. 6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen themselves. Selah.

Snares, pits, traps, nets, gins, etc in the Bible done against God's people.

Numbers 22:12 12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they *are* blessed.

Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

Proverbs warns often to watch out for the ungodly women (& people).

James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

2 Timothy 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Genesis 39:7,8A,12 And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me. 8 But he refused, 12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

Psalms 57:7-11 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise. 8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early. 9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations. 10 For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds. 11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth.