



Rome or Bust

The Book of Acts

Midweek Sermon

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THE MIRACLE SEED OF GOD'S WORD

Acts 19:20 (NKJV)

20 So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

People Haven't Changed; Neither Has God's Word

1. The gospel is the same as ever.
2. The human race is depraved in their hearts as ever.
3. The sins to be overcome are the same.
4. The Holy Spirit is just as mighty to convict and renew.

THE WORD IS COMPARED TO A SEED

1 Peter 1:23 (NKJV)

23 having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,

SEEDS MUST BE PLANTED

1 Corinthians 3:6 (NKJV)

6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.

2 Corinthians 9:10 (TEV)

10 And God, who supplies seed for the sower and bread to eat, will also supply you with all the seed you need and will make it grow and produce a rich harvest from your generosity.

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Acts 19:21 (NKJV)

21 When these things were accomplished, Paul purposed in the Spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, "After I have been there, I must also see Rome."

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

During the winter of 57–58 a.d., Paul was in the Greek city of Corinth. From Corinth, he wrote the longest single letter in the New Testament, which he addressed to “God’s beloved in Rome” (1:7).

“I must also see Rome!” His purpose indicates—

1. Rome was the _____ of Great Price.
2. We all have a _____ we are destined to.
3. Evangelism should target the most _____ centers of the world.
4. Preach the _____ in Satan’s Capital.
5. Impart some _____ gift (Romans 1:11).

PAUL, THE TEAM LEADER

Acts 19:22 (NKJV)

22 So he sent into Macedonia two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus, but he himself stayed in Asia for a time.

In a community where all minds are spiritually influenced, the simple request for the greatest good is the greatest law.

DO YOU KNOW THE WAY?

Acts 19:23 (NLT)

23 About that time, serious trouble developed in Ephesus concerning the Way.

John 14:6 (NLT)

6 Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

ANSWERS:

1. PEARL
2. CITY
3. INFLUENTIAL
4. GOSPEL
5. SPIRITUAL