

# Acts 20

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## **Paul in Macedonia and Greece**

<sup>1</sup> And after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto him the disciples, and embraced them, and departed for to go into Macedonia.

<sup>2</sup> And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece,

<sup>3</sup> And there abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.

<sup>4</sup> And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.

<sup>5</sup> These going before tarried for us at Troas.

<sup>6</sup> And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days.

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## **Eutychus Raised from the Dead**

<sup>7</sup> And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

<sup>8</sup> And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.

**9** And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

**10** And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.

**11** When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.

**12** And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

**13** And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.

**14** And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.

**15** And we sailed thence, and came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.

**16** For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.

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### **Paul's Farewell to the Ephesian Elders**

**17** And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

**18** And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,

**19** Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:

**20** And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,

21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.

26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men.

27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.

**34** Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

**35** I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

**36** And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

**37** And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,

**38** Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

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### **Blood** — αἷμα (Haima)

Blood

The Greek **haima** (αἷμα) denotes blood. Christ's blood 'cleanseth us from all sin' (1 John 1:7), securing 'eternal redemption' (Hebrews 9:12) through His once-for-all sacrifice. Believers have been 'purchased with his own blood' (Acts 20:28).

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### **Faith** — πίστις (Pistis)

Faith, belief, trust

The Greek **pistis** (πίστις) denotes faith, belief, or trust—confidence in God's character and promises. It's both intellectual assent and relational trust, central to justification (Romans 5:1).

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### **God** — Θεός (Theos)

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

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### **Gospel** — εὐαγγέλιον (Euangelion)

Good news, gospel

The Greek **euangelion** (εὐαγγέλιον) means good news or gospel—the message of salvation through Christ's death and resurrection. It's 'the power of God unto salvation' (Romans 1:16).

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### **Grace** — χάρις (Charis)

Grace, favor

The Greek **charis** (χάρις) denotes unmerited divine favor—God's kindness toward the undeserving. Salvation is 'by grace through faith' (Ephesians 2:8), not human merit.

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**Holy** — ἅγιος (Hagios)

Holy, sacred, set apart

The Greek **hagios** (ἅγιος) denotes holiness—moral purity and separation unto God. Believers are called 'saints' (hagioi), those set apart for God through Christ's sanctifying work.

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**Kingdom** — βασιλεία (Basileia)

Kingdom, reign

The Greek **basileia** (βασιλεία) means kingdom—both the realm ruled and the exercise of royal authority. The 'kingdom of God' is central to Jesus' teaching, representing God's saving rule breaking into history.

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**Lord** — Κύριος (Kurios)

Lord, Master

The Greek **Kurios** (Κύριος) means 'lord' or 'master,' used both for human masters and divinely for God the Father and Jesus Christ. Its application to Jesus affirms His deity, as it translates YHWH in the Septuagint.

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**Repent** — μετανοέω (Metanoeo)

To change one's mind, repent

The Greek **metanoeo** (μετανοέω) means to change one's mind or purpose—a complete transformation of thinking. John the Baptist and Jesus both began their ministries with 'Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand' (Matthew 3:2; 4:17).

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**Spirit** — πνεῦμα (Pneuma)

Spirit, wind, breath

The Greek **pneuma** (πνεῦμα) means spirit, wind, or breath—the immaterial aspect of persons. The Holy Spirit (Pneuma Hagion) is the third person of the Trinity, dwelling in believers.

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**Word** — λόγος (Logos)

Word, reason, message

The Greek **Logos** (Λόγος) means word, reason, or message—the rational principle underlying reality. John identifies Christ as the eternal Logos: 'In the beginning was the Word' (John 1:1).

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**CROSS REFERENCES**


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**Acts 20:2**    **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:11; Colossians 1:28; 1 Thessalonians 2:3; 2:11; 4:1

**Acts 20:3**    **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:19; 25:3; 2 Corinthians 11:26

**Acts 20:4**

**Parallel theme:** Acts 14:6; 16:1; 19:29; 21:29; Ephesians 6:21; Colossians 4:7; 4:10; 2 Timothy 4:12; 4:20; Titus 3:12

**Acts 20:5**    **Parallel theme:** Acts 16:8

**Acts 20:6**    **Parallel theme:** Acts 12:3; 16:12; Exodus 23:15; 34:18

**Acts 20:7**

**Parallel theme:** Acts 2:42; 20:11; 28:23; Luke 24:35; John 20:1; 20:19; 1 Corinthians 16:2; Revelation 1:10. **References Paul:** Acts 20:9

**Acts 20:8** **Parallel theme:** Acts 1:13

**Acts 20:9** **Parallel theme:** Mark 13:36

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**Acts 20:15** **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:17; 2 Timothy 4:20

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**Acts 20:22** **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 5:14; James 4:14; 2 Peter 1:14

**Acts 20:23** **Parallel theme:** Acts 9:16; 14:22; 21:33; 1 Thessalonians 3:3; 2 Timothy 2:12. **Spirit:** Acts 21:4. **Holy:** Acts 21:11

**Acts 20:24** **Grace:** Acts 11:23; 14:3; 20:32; Romans 11:6; 2 Corinthians 4:1; 1 Peter 5:12. **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 12:10. **References Jesus:** Acts 21:13. **References Lord:** 1 Corinthians 15:58. **References God:** Titus 1:3

**Acts 20:25** **Kingdom:** Acts 28:31; Matthew 4:23. **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:38

**Acts 20:26** **Blood:** Acts 18:6. **Parallel theme:** John 12:17

**Acts 20:27** **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:20; Psalms 32:11; Matthew 28:20; Galatians 4:16.

**References God:** Acts 2:23; Luke 7:30; 2 Corinthians 4:2; 1 Thessalonians 2:4

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**Acts 20:29** **Parallel theme:** Acts 20:28; Matthew 7:15; Luke 10:3; John 10:12; 2 Peter 2:1

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**Acts 20:31** **Parallel theme:** Acts 19:8; 19:10; 20:19; Matthew 13:25; Luke 21:36; Colossians 1:28; 2 Timothy 4:5; Hebrews 13:17

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**Acts 20:36** **Prayer:** Acts 21:5; Luke 22:41. **Parallel theme:** Acts 7:60

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**Acts 20:38** **Parallel theme:** Acts 15:3; 20:25