

# Acts 20:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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

## Analysis

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'I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem' - divine compulsion directed Paul's journey. 'Not knowing the things that shall befall me there' combined certainty of calling with uncertainty of details. Obedience doesn't require complete knowledge.

## Historical Context

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The Spirit's constraint (whether human spirit or Holy Spirit) drove Paul toward Jerusalem despite danger warnings. He obeyed the call without knowing all implications.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How do you obey divine direction when outcomes remain uncertain?
2. What does 'bound in spirit' teach about Spirit-led compulsion?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ	νῦν	ἰδοὺ,	ἐγὼ	δεδεμένος	τῷ	πνεύματι	πορεύομαι	
<b>And</b>	<b>now</b>	<b>behold</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>bound</b>	G3588	<b>in the spirit</b>	<b>go</b>	
G2532	G3568	G2400	G1473	G1210		G4151	G4198	
εἰς	Ἱερουσαλήμ	τὰ	ἐν	αὐτῇ	συναντήσοντά	μοι	μὴ	
<b>unto</b>	<b>Jerusalem</b>	G3588	<b>there</b>	G846	<b>the things that shall befall</b>	<b>me</b>	<b>not</b>	
G1519	G2419		G1722		G4876	G3427	G3361	
εἰδώς								
<b>knowing</b>								
G1492								

## Additional Cross-References

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**James 4:14** (Parallel theme): Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

**2 Peter 1:14** (Parallel theme): Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

**2 Corinthians 5:14** (Parallel theme): For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: