

What Revival Looks Like
How Revival Acts
Acts 21:1-17

FIRED UP



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5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till *we were* out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.

7 And when we had finished *our* course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next *day* we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was *one* of the seven; and abode with him.

9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.

10 And as we tarried *there* many days, there came down from Judaea a certain prophet, named Agabus.

11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles.

12 And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.

13 Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.

15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There went with us also *certain* of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.

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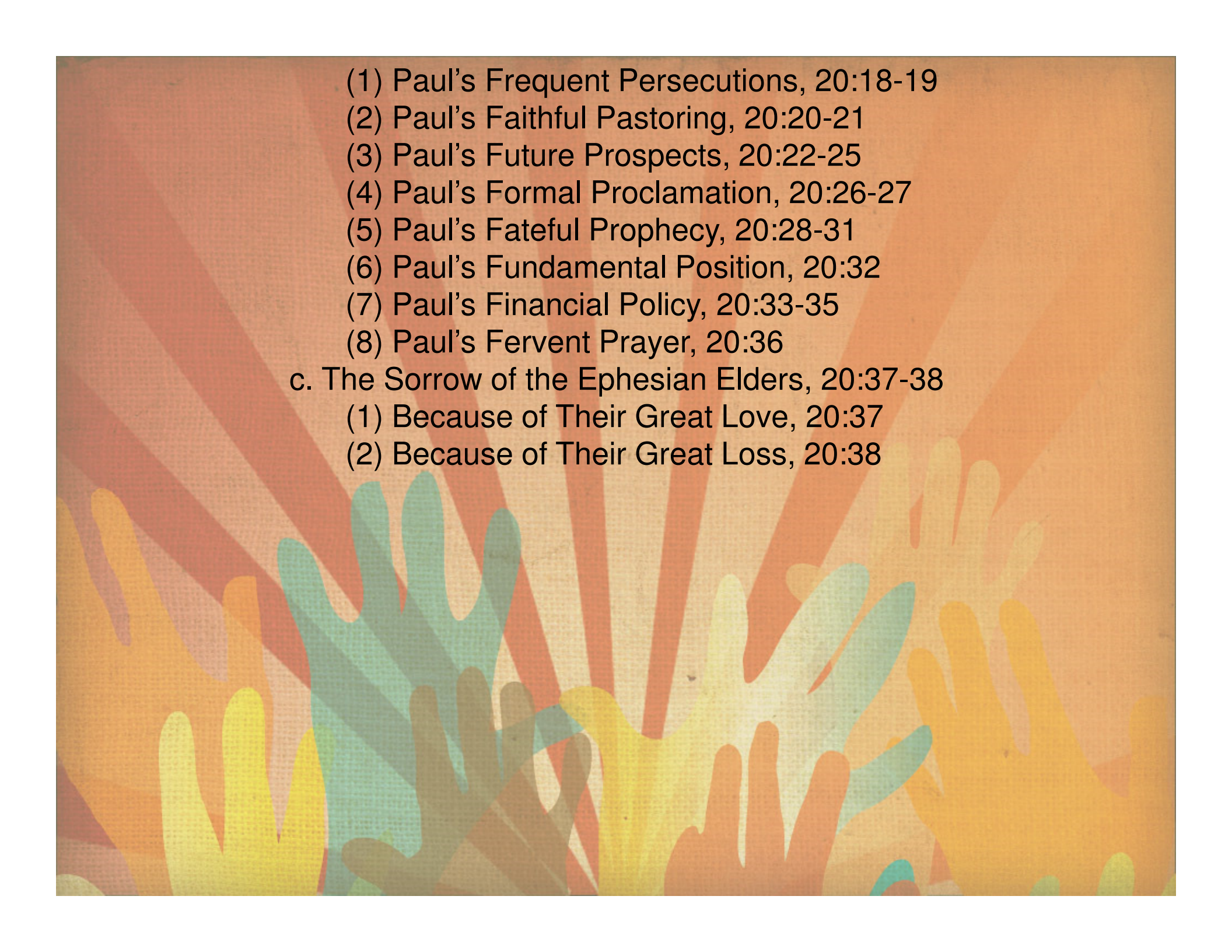
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PAUL'S THIRD MISSIONARY JOURNEY



6. Caesarea: Be Sure, 21:1-17

a. Paul's Continuing Travels, 21:1-9

(1) The Old Romantic Capital of Tyre, 21:1-6

(a) The Way to Tyre, 21:1-3

i. Following the Coast, 21:1

Acts 21:1 And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the *day* following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:



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The New Colossus
BY EMMA LAZARUS

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name
Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand
Glow world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.
“Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!” cries she
With silent lips. “Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!”

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ii. Fetching the Course, 21:2-3

Acts 21:2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.

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(b) The Week at Tyre, 21:4-6

i. The Command of the Spirit, 21:4

Acts 21:4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days: **who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.**

ii. The Compassion of the Saints, 21:5-6

- Their Loving Fellowship, 21:5

Acts 21:5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till *we were* out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

- Their Last Farewell, 21:6

Acts 21:6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.

(2) The New Roman Capital of Caesarea, 21:7-9

(a) A Kindly Stop at Ptolemais, 21:7

Acts 21:7 And when we had finished *our* course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

(b) A Kindred Soul at Caesarea, 21:8-9

i. Philip's Fame, 21:8

Acts 21:8 And the next *day* we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was *one* of the seven; and abode with him.

ii. Philip's Family, 21:9

Acts 21:9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.

b. Paul's Coming Travails, 21:10-17

(1) The Deterring Prophecy, 21:10-11

(a) What Agabus Did, 21:10-11a

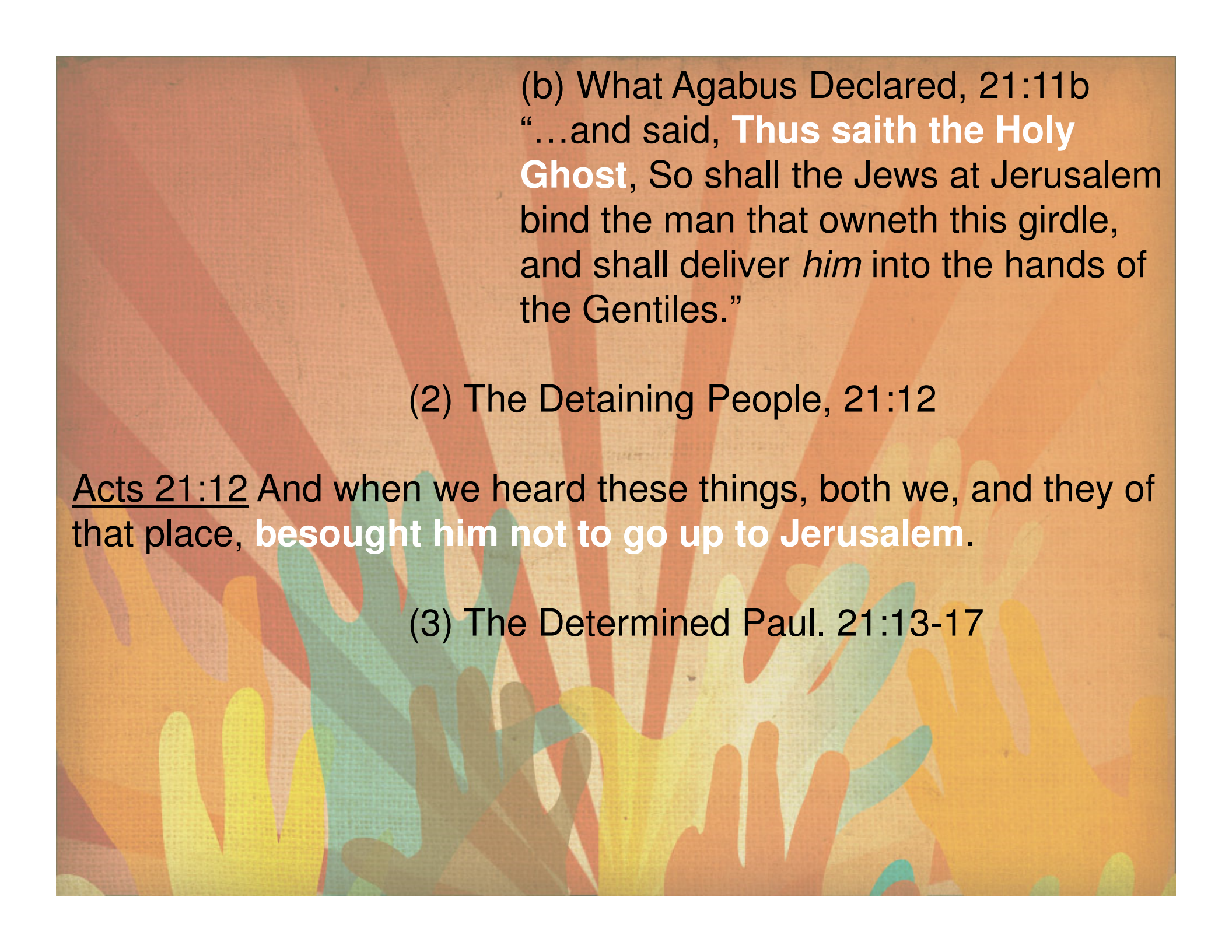
Acts 21:10 “And as we tarried *there* many days, there came down from Judaea a certain prophet, named Agabus.

11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet...”

Mark 9:31 For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day.

Mark 10:33 *Saying*, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:

Jn. 21:18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry *thee* whither thou wouldest not.



(b) What Agabus Declared, 21:11b
“...and said, **Thus saith the Holy Ghost**, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles.”

(2) The Detaining People, 21:12

Acts 21:12 And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, **besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.**

(3) The Determined Paul. 21:13-17

(a) His Passionate Fervor, 21:13

Acts 21:13 Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

Rom. 9:1 I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,
2 That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.
3 For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh:

Phil. 3:4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:

5 Circumcised the eighth day, **of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews;** as touching the law, a Pharisee;

6 Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.

Luke 9:51 And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, **he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,**

Luke 22:42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: **nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.**

(b) His Patient Friends, 21:14-17

i. Accepting Him, 21:14

Acts 21:14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, **The will of the Lord be done.**

ii. Accompanying Him, 21:15-17

- The Final Journey Recorded, 21:15-16

Acts 21:15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There went with us also *certain* of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

- The Fateful Jerusalem Reached, 21:17

Acts 21:17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.

Conclusion

Rom. 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, **which is your reasonable service.**

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, **that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.**

Jas. 4:13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

14 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.

15 For that ye *ought* to say, **If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.**