



Get Out of My Way, Please!

The Book of Acts

Midweek Sermon

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Acts 21:7-14 (NLT)

7 The next stop after leaving Tyre was Ptolemais, where we greeted the brothers and sisters and stayed for one day. 8 The next day we went on to Caesarea and stayed at the home of Philip the Evangelist, one of the seven men who had been chosen to distribute food. 9 He had four unmarried daughters who had the gift of prophecy. 10 Several days later a man named Agabus, who also had the gift of prophecy, arrived from Judea. 11 He came over, took Paul's belt, and bound his own feet and hands with it. Then he said, "The Holy Spirit declares, 'So shall the owner of this belt be bound by the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem and turned over to the Gentiles.'" 12 When we heard this, we and the local believers all begged Paul not to go on to Jerusalem. 13 But he said, "Why all this weeping? You are breaking my heart! I am ready not only to be jailed at Jerusalem but even to die for the sake of the Lord Jesus." 14 When it was clear that we couldn't persuade him, we gave up and said, "The Lord's will be done."

THE FIVE FOLD _____

Phillip started as a deacon and ended up an evangelist.

Ephesians 4:11 (NLT)

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers.

Proverbs 18:16 (ESV)

A man's gift makes room for him and brings him before the great.

What is an "evangelist"?

"This title was given to those who went from place to place proclaiming the gospel"

—James Burton Coffman

THE _____

1 Corinthians 14:3-4 (NKJV)

But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. 4 He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church.

The gift of prophecy is both "forth-telling" (declarative) and "foretelling" (predictive).

PAUL'S _____ AND LOVE

2 Timothy 4:16-17 (NLT)

The first time I was brought before the judge, no one came with me. Everyone abandoned me. May it not be counted against them. 17 But the Lord stood with me and gave me strength so that I might preach the Good News in its entirety for all the Gentiles to hear. And he rescued me from certain death.

KNOWING GOD'S _____

The "Four Councils"

- (1) the council of God's Word
- (2) the council of the Holy Spirit
- (3) the council of conscience
- (4) the council of others

Proverbs 11:14 (NKJV)

"Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety."

"Love God and do what you want."

—St. Augustine

ANSWERS:

1. MINISTRY
2. PROPHET
3. RESOLVE
4. WILL