

**1. The Apostle Paul's first visit to Ephesus**

- a) What do you know about the city of Ephesus in the 1st century AD? Population of 250,00, capital of Province of Asia, center of Diana/Artemis worship.
- b) What did the apostle Paul do when he first arrived in Ephesus and what was the response? Acts 18:19-20
- c) What promise did the apostle Paul make before continuing his journey to Jerusalem? Acts 18:21

**2. Initial reception on Paul's second visit to Ephesus**

- a) Who helped to prepare the way for the Apostle Paul's second visit to Ephesus? Acts 18:24-28
- b) After returning to Ephesus, where did Paul teach the Word of God for three months? Acts 19:1-8
- c) Why did he eventually move to the School of Tyrannus, and with what result? Acts 19:9-10
- d) How did the LORD confirm the teachings of Paul as He had promised to His disciples? Mark 16:17-18,20; Acts 19:11-20
- e) Share a time when you witnessed a remarkable manifestation of divine power confirming the truth of God's Word.

**3. Organized Opposition**

- a) Who did Satan use to stir up opposition against Paul and those who proclaimed Christ with him? Acts 19:23-34

- b) What unexpected government official did the LORD use to rescue Paul and the other Christian disciples? Acts 19:35-41
- c) What lesson can we learn from this part of Paul's story for our lives and witness for Christ today?

**4. Final visit with the Ephesian elders (AD 57)**

- a) At the conclusion of his 3rd missionary journey, what parting message did Paul give to the Ephesian elders? Acts 20:17-36
- b) How did the Ephesian elders respond to Paul's parting message? Acts 20:37-38

**5. Letter to the Ephesians (AD 62 from prison in Rome)**

- a) What impressed you the most as you examined this epistle as a whole?
- b) Who is the primary focus of this letter? Ephesians 1:3-14
- c) What important metaphors of the church are shared in this inspired letter? (Body, temple, bride, army)
- d) What can we learn about Paul's attitude toward the Christians in Ephesus from the opening and closing sentences of his letter? Ephesians 1:1-2, 6:21-24 (See also Ephesians 3:13)
- e) Why is studying this inspired letter so important?

