

Riot in Ephesus
Acts 19:21-41
November 20, 2022

Paul's Future Plans Acts 19:21-22

- Taking the long-cut: Jerusalem via Greece
 - See Romans 15:25-31; 1 Cor 16:1-4; 2 Cor 8-9
- Goal: I must go to Rome (See Luke 9:51)

Turning the World Upside-Down in Ephesus Acts 19:23-41

- Demetrius – The Union Boss
 - A silversmith – invested in the shrines & tourists
 - Warning: Impending economic doom!
 - All about the money.
 - Compare – 19:19 & 19:25!
 - Bottom line: We are under attack!
 - Our religion & way of life is threatened!
 - Response and reach:
 - Furious and began shouting!
 - Went to the one place that could hold them all – theater
- Paul - Wanted to address the mob
- Mob – Mob Mentality
 - “Most of the people did not even know why they were there.”
 - The Jews send out Alexander to speak...
 - The Crowd goes wild!
- The City Clerk – Saves the day!
 - Came in with all of his vested authority & Robert's Rules of Order
 - “Settle down!”
 - If Demetrius has an issue, he can go to court...
 - Otherwise, you all better go home or we could face legal trouble ourselves!
 - Go home!

Application:

- How great is our God!

Homework: Read Psalm 47; Psalms 95-100; Psalm 136