

## **Acts Lesson 35 Handout**

### **Acts 12**

**19 But when Herod had searched for him and not found him, he examined the guards and commanded that they should be put to death. And he went down from Judea to Caesarea, and stayed there.**

**20 Now Herod had been very angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon; but they came to him with one accord, and having made Blastus the king's personal aide their friend, they asked for peace, because their country was supplied with food by the king's country.**

**21 So on a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat on his throne and gave an oration to them.**

**22 And the people kept shouting, "The voice of a god and not of a man!"**

**23 Then immediately an angel of the Lord struck him, because he did not give glory to God. And he was eaten by worms and died.**

### **Psalm 100:3-4**

**3 Know that the LORD, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.**

**4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.**

**Acts 12:24 But the word of God grew and multiplied.**

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### **Acts 13**

**1 Now in the church that was at Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.**

**They also had John as their assistant.**

**2 As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."**

Calling = Desire -  
Gifting - Opportunity

Will your  
calling  
promote  
Jesus?

Using our  
calling to get  
people to heaven  
should be  
our highest  
priority.

**3 Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away.**

**4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.**

**5 And when they arrived in Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews.**

*The Word  
of God.*

**No Desire.**

*"He put the Word of God into  
practice every day. It was  
the most convincing translation  
I've ever seen."*

*I don't understand  
it.*

## **Genesis 19**

**1 Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening as Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them and bowed down with his face to the ground.**

**2 And he said, "Now behold, my lords, please turn aside into your servant's house, and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way." They said however, "No, but we shall spend the night in the square."**

**3 Yet he urged them strongly, so they turned aside to him and entered his house; and he prepared a feast for them, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.**

**4 Before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old, all the people from every quarter;**

**5 and they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have relations with them."**

**6 But Lot went out to them at the doorway, and shut the door behind him,  
7 and said, "Please, my brothers, do not act wickedly.  
8 "Now behold, I have two daughters who have not had relations with man; please let me bring them out to you, and do to them whatever you like; only do nothing to these men, inasmuch as they have come under the shelter of my roof."**



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**5 And when they arrived in Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews.**



**6 Now when they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name was Bar-Jesus,**

**7 who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God.**

**8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.**

**9 Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him**

**10 and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?"**

**11 And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And**

immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand.

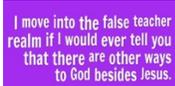
**12 Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.**



**C.S. Lewis "little by little, unconsciously, unintentionally,...loosened the whole framework, blunted all the sharp edges, of my belief."**

**Matthew 7:15**

**15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves.**



**Acts 4:12**

**12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."**

*Oh, I hope I am converting, I don't mean what you think...If in coming face to face with God we accept Him in our lives, then we are converting. We become a better Hindu, a better Muslim, a better Catholic, a better whatever we are, and then by being better we come closer and closer to Him. If we accept Him fully in our lives, then that is conversion. What approach would I use? For me, naturally, it would be a Catholic one, for you it may be Hindu, for someone else, Buddhist, according to each one's conscience. Mother Teresa*

**Galatians 1:8-9**

**8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed.**

**9 As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.**

*Larry King: So then a Jew is not going to heaven?*

*Osteen: No – here's my thing, Larry, is I can't judge somebody's heart....*

*King: But you believe your way.*

*Osteen: I believe my way. I believe my way with all my heart.*

*King: but for someone who doesn't share it is wrong, isn't he?*

*Osteen: Well, yes. Well, I don't know if I look at it like that. I would present my way, but I'm just going to let God be the judge of that. I don't know. I don't know...*

*King: What about atheists?*

*Osteen: You know what...I'm going to let God be the judge of who goes to heaven and hell. I just – again, I present the truth and I say it every week. You know, I believe it's a relationship with Jesus. But you know what? I'm not going to go around telling everybody else if they don't want to believe that - that's going to be their choice...Gods got to look at your heart and only God knows that.*

**Matthew 24:11**

**11 Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many.**

**Matthew 24:24**

**24 For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.**

**2 Peter 2:1**

**1 But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction.**

**2 Corinthians 11:13**

**13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ.**

## **1 John 4:1**

**1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.**

## **Hebrews 13:9**

**9 Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines...**

**Jude 3 Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.**

**4 For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.**

I move into the false teacher realm if I would ever tell you that there is no hell.

This is a REALITY - now let's get out and tell people how to avoid it.

**Let me get this straight; you are willing to run into a burning building to save someone's life, but non - Christians all around you are going to hell and you don't lift a finger to help?**

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*He wrote these words in his diary: "If we could find some quiet resting place on earth where we could spend the rest of our days in peace. . ."*

*Then Judson broke off in mid-sentence, and steadied himself with this remarkable commitment: "Life is short. Millions of Burmese are perishing. I am almost the only person on earth who has learned enough of their language to communicate the good news of Jesus."*

