

Acts 19–20 — Ephesus, and a farewell to the elders

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2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. What does this passage show me about God?

How does the word of the Lord spread and prevail in Ephesus, and what does Paul entrust to the Ephesian elders in his farewell at Miletus?

2. What does it show me about people — and about myself?

Paul says he 'did not hesitate to preach anything that would be helpful.' What hard-but-helpful truth are you avoiding saying — or hearing?

3. What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)

The new believers in Ephesus burned their scrolls publicly, whatever the cost. What will you decisively put away this week because of Jesus?

4. Who will I tell?

In two years 'all the Jews and Greeks in the province of Asia heard the word.' What would it take for everyone in your town to hear — and what is your piece of it?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

Pray

Lord, in Ephesus your word spread until a whole province had heard, and Paul left the elders everything he had — tears, truth, and the whole will of God. Let me hold nothing back.



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