
SERMON OUTLINE

What Matters in the End

(Conclusion of Acts series)

- I. Between Paul's Imprisonments: **We can never retire from God's purposes** (Prison letters).
- A. Paul continued to visit and encourage churches.
- Ephesus (Philippians 2:19), Colossae (Philemon 22), Philippi (1 Tim. 1:3), Ephesus (1 Tim. 3:14)
- B. Paul possibly planted churches in Spain (Romans 15:24, 28; 2 Timothy 4:7, 17, early Christian writers).
- C. Paul served faithfully until arrested (and executed).
- Crete (Titus 1:5), Miletus (2 Tim. 4:20), Troas (2 Tim. 4:13), Nicopolis (Titus 3:12); Corinth (2 Tim. 4:20)

Application: Will I wholeheartedly serve Christ regardless of my stage of life or circumstances?

- II. In Paul's Final Days: **We must invest in what will last** (2 Timothy)
- A. Invest in God's word: Know truth and teach it to others (1:13; 2:2; 3:14-16; 4:2).
- B. Invest in a pure heart: Live holy in response to God's grace (1:9; 3:12; 2:20-22).
- C. Invest in sacrificial service: Serve faithfully in spite of hardships (1:8; 2:3-4).
- D. Anticipate Christ's rewards: Look forward to Christ's approval (2:3-5; 4:6-8, 17-18).

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