

NOTE: Paul arrives in Ephesus and introduces his first dozen disciples to baptism in Christ and receiving the Holy Spirit. He proclaims the gospel in the synagogue and is rejected by the Jewish leaders, so he used a public hall where he preaches Christ for two years, performs miracles, and converts several magicians. He is brought to court by the silversmiths of the goddess Artemis, but is rescued to safety by his disciples and some of the townspeople.

1. When Paul returned to Ephesus, he was greeted by 12 disciples. (Acts 19:7)
 - a. What did Paul ask them? (Acts 19:2)
 - b. What was their response? (Acts 19:2-3)
 - c. What action did Paul take? (Acts 19:5-6)
2. Where did Paul preach when he first came to Ephesus, and what did he preach about? (Acts 19:8-9)
3. For two years, Paul preached in the hall of Tyrannus, an educational or lecture hall. (Acts 18:9-10)
 - a. Why did Paul speak there?
 - b. Who was able to hear him there?
4. *Challenge Question:* Why do you think Paul wore handkerchiefs or aprons while in Ephesus? What happened to them? (Acts 19:11-12)
5. During His public life, Jesus referred to itinerant Jewish exorcists (Luke 11:14-20). What were the evil spirits' reactions when the exorcists tried to drive them out using Jesus's name? (Acts 19:13-17)
6. Verse 18 mentions public confession for the first time. Do you think it was the beginning of a new practice?
7. What did some of the magicians in Ephesus do to prove their true conversion to the Christian life? (Acts 19:19)
8. Why do you think the speech Demetrius, the silversmith, gave to his fellow artisans would cause an uprising against Paul? (Acts 19: 23-30)
9. Why would the crowd not listen to Alexander the Jew? (Acts 19:33-34)
10. How was the town clerk able to quiet the crowd? (Acts 19:35-41)