

“YOU GOTTA TELL IT!”

Acts 28:23 – *And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.*



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God’s word brings the diagnosis of sin, which is painful to hear and accept, but at the same time it wounds in order to heal. Once a person deliberately refuses the word, there comes a point when he is deprived of the capacity to receive it. It is a stern warning to those who trifle with the Gospel. Obviously Rome was in no hurry to deal with this trial, so Paul, using his own resources, ministered to all who came to see him. When God has called us to a distinctive role, such as Paul’s mission to the Gentiles, we should waste no time getting right to the task wherever He sends us. Luke ends the book of Acts on a ringing out of victory! During these two years, Paul boldly preached the Kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ and he did so without hindrance. The Gospel of Jesus Christ WILL proceed unhindered throughout the world regardless of what happens to courageous messengers if you tell it!

Principles to Remember:

- *Christians have victory over sin and the world in life and in death*
- *Kingdom citizens owe allegiance to the King*
- *The message of the gospel is not bound by the fate of the messengers*
- *The true Christian servant is never off duty*

Applications to Live By:

- *Expect to find Christians wherever you go*
- *Encourage and support other Christians, especially those who find themselves in some kind of difficulty*
- *Be bold and stand firm despite the opposition*
- *Practice faithfulness in God’s service no matter how difficult that may be at times*

When you have an encounter with God, your life will never be the same! And because of that change, you now have a Word in your belly that you must get out! No matter what the enemy throws your way to thwart your witness, you gotta tell it! No matter what people may say about you or do to you, you gotta tell it! When they want to hear it and when they don’t, you gotta tell it! You’ve got to tell of the goodness of Jesus and all that He’s done for you! You gotta tell how He saved your soul and made you whole! You gotta tell somebody how He’s filled you with his precious Holy Ghost! You gotta tell of His unspeakable joy and the liberty you have in His presence. Come on, open up your mouth! Go ahead! Don’t be afraid no matter what! You gotta tell it!

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