



## Acts – The Church on Fire

### What things make or help Christians and God's Church to be on fire for Him?

#### Chapter Seventeen

#### Verse(s)

#### Point

- 1 - 3      **1.** A Christian on Fire will continue to use what methods work to reach those for Christ. They will also get to know the culture or religious beliefs of those they are working with, so that they can better understand how to present Christ to them. In this case, Paul understood that the Jews were looking for the Messiah and he used Old Testament prophecies to show them how Christ had fulfilled them. (see handout for Messianic Scripture he may have used)
- 4            **2.** The Christian on Fire will see fruit if they remain faithful to reaching out to the lost.
- 5            **3.** The Christian on Fire will face opposition from Satan when they are serving the Lord. They will face opposition from people who do not agree or understand or are afraid of them.
- 6 - 8       **4.** A Christian on Fire will possibly face physical threat from those in opposition. Imprisonment, beatings and death are not beyond happening. As we read in the bulletin today there is persecution for being a Christian. Next Sunday, Nov. 13 is the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Persecution has begun in America on lower levels. Political Battles, Fines, Warnings, Court Cases and Imprisonments have begun.
- 9            **5.** A Christian on Fire will do their best to obey the laws of the land, when they don't contradict scripture.
- 10          **6.** A Christian on Fire will have to listen to God's voice for direction in physical harm situations. If God directs them to move on to a new place to serve then that is what they should do, as Paul and Silas moved on to Berea.
- 11 - 12     **7.** A Christian on Fire will remain faithful and keep telling others about Christ no matter what they may have been through in the past. They will see fruit for their faithfulness. They will teach scripture and disciple new converts to the faith.
- 16 - 21     **8.** A Christian on fire will hear God's voice and respond. A Christian on Fire will use what is around them to find an in road to witness to others. A Christian on Fire will respond to those with questions. A questioning person is giving you an in road to witnessing to them. The Spirit is no doubt pricking their heart.
- 22 - 29     **9.** A Christian on Fire will seek to draw men's eyes towards God. Take them from creation to the Creator. To give glory to God.
- 30          **10.** A Christian on Fire will understand God's mercy and grace and be able to share it with the lost. They will be able to show them how all have fallen short and have been ignorant of God's ways. A Christian on Fire will be honest and let the lost person know where they really stand with God. The goal is to show them that they need God.
- 31 – 32a   **11.** A Christian on Fire will know how to present the good news of what Jesus did for us.
- 32b - 34   **12.** A Christians on Fire will know that they can't always win people to the Lord on the first time speaking to them. They will be willing to come back again to continue sharing.