

**Paul's Missionary Journeys**  
**Journey Three**  
**Handout Five Addendum**

**Acts 21:15-20a** When we had come to Jerusalem, the brothers received us gladly. <sup>18</sup> On the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present. <sup>19</sup> After greeting them, he related one by one the things that God had done among the Gentiles through his ministry. <sup>20</sup> And when they heard it, they glorified God.

We have seen that Paul was attempting to get to Jerusalem in time to celebrate the festival of Pentecost and according to the Self-Study Bible he arrived there “no more than a day or two before Pentecost.” While the initial greeting Paul and the other travelers received was very positive, not everyone was excited to welcome Paul who had taken the Gospel to Gentiles. The following verses describe some serious accusations against him, although not true. We won't go into the rest of chapter 21 in this study but conclude with his arrival at this destination. If you wish to read on, you will see the trouble that Paul faces. You may recall how there were many who had been worried and advised him not to go to Jerusalem so you will see that their concerns were well-founded. Watch too though for how God uses these circumstances to give Paul opportunities to share the Gospel with more people as you get into chapters 22 and 23.

In writing about the stories Paul had to share with the other believers when he arrived, Luke records that “he related one by one the things that God had done”.

**Is there any particular event from this journey that stands out for you?**

**What about in your life's journey, what might be one example of the things you know God has done for you, or maybe through you? (If you can't think of anything now, give the question some thought in the next few days and be on the watch for an example.)**