

## *Some of the Obstacles Faced in Acts*

### **Paul:**

**Acts 9:23-25:** Jews conspire to kill Paul in Damascus.

**Acts 13:6-8:** Opposition from Elymas the sorcerer in Cyprus.

**Acts 13:44-50:** Jealousy and contradiction from Jews in Pisidian Antioch.

**Acts 14:2, 5-6:** Stirring up of Gentiles and poisoning minds against Paul in Iconium, leading to a plot to stone him.

**Acts 14:19-20:** Paul is stoned and left for dead in Lystra.

**Acts 16:6-7:** The Holy Spirit prevents Paul and his companions from preaching in Asia and Bithynia.

**Acts 16:16-24:** Paul and Silas are beaten and imprisoned in Philippi.

**Acts 17:5-9:** Jealous Jews form a mob and attack Jason's house in Thessalonica.

**Acts 17:13:** Jews from Thessalonica come to Berea to stir up crowds against Paul.

**Acts 18:12-17:** Paul is brought before Gallio by the Jews in Corinth.

**Acts 19:23-41:** Riot led by Demetrius in Ephesus due to economic threat from Paul's preaching.

**Acts 20:3:** Jews plot to kill Paul as he plans to sail to Syria.

**Acts 21:10-14:** Agabus the prophet foretells Paul's arrest in Jerusalem, leading to his companions urging him not to go.

**Acts 21:27-36:** Paul is seized by Jews in Jerusalem and almost killed.

**Acts 22:22-23:** Paul faces an uproar in Jerusalem, leading to him being taken into Roman custody.

**Acts 23:12-22:** Jews form a conspiracy to kill Paul, taking an oath not to eat or drink until they do.

**Acts 23:23-24:** Paul is transferred to Caesarea under heavy guard due to the threat on his life.

**Acts 24:1-9:** Accusations from Ananias and Tertullus before Felix in Caesarea.

**Acts 24:22-27:** Paul is kept in custody by Felix, who frequently converses with him but leaves him imprisoned for two years hoping for a bribe.

**Acts 25:2-3:** Jewish leaders plan to ambush and kill Paul during his transfer to Jerusalem.

**Acts 27:13-20:** Paul faces a severe storm at sea while being transported to Rome.

**Acts 27:42-44:** Paul faces the threat of execution by the soldiers during the shipwreck.

**Acts 28:3-5:** Paul is bitten by a viper on the island of Malta.

## **Peter and John:**

**Acts 4:1-3:** Peter and John are arrested by the Sadducees while speaking to the people.

**Acts 4:18-21:** Peter and John are warned by the Sanhedrin not to speak or teach in the name of Jesus.

**Acts 5:17-18:** Peter and the apostles are arrested and put in the public jail by the high priest and Sadducees.

**Acts 5:40-42:** The apostles are flogged and ordered not to speak in the name of Jesus before being released.

## **Stephen:**

**Acts 6:8-15:** Opposition from the Freedmen, leading to false accusations and his arrest.

**Acts 7:54-60:** Stephen is stoned to death by an enraged mob after his speech to the Sanhedrin.

## **Philip:**

**Acts 8:1-4:** General persecution against the church in Jerusalem, leading to the scattering of the believers, including Philip.

## **Paul and Barnabas:**

**Acts 15:1-2:** Dispute with certain men from Judea regarding the necessity of circumcision for salvation.

**Acts 15:36-39:** Sharp disagreement between Paul and Barnabas over John Mark, leading to their separation.

## **General Persecution:**

**Acts 8:1-3:** Saul (later Paul) leads a severe persecution against the church in Jerusalem, imprisoning many believers.

**Acts 12:1-4:** King Herod arrests and executes James, the brother of John, and arrests Peter intending to do the same.