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PAUL Undaunted, The Gospel of Christ is Victorious!

Last Month, in Highwaymen, I addressed the **Calling & Conversion of Saul to Paul, whom The Resurrected Christ** (Himself) Converted to be His Apostle to the Non Jewish World, **taking The Gospel of Jesus Christ all the way to Rome itself.**

He was the Connection between **The Christ of Israel and the Roman Empire.** He Traveled over much of the **Roman World**, focusing a lot of his work in the area that is modern day **Turkey.** Now let's go to Acts 14:8 And in **Lystra** a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, **a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked.** ⁹This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently **and seeing that he had faith to be healed,** ¹⁰said with a loud voice, **"Stand up straight on your feet!"** And he **leaped and walked.** ¹¹Now when the people saw what Paul had done (not understanding **the Power of the Resurrected Christ at work to heal**), they raised their voices, saying in the *Lycaonian language*, **"The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!"** ¹²And **Barnabas** they called Zeus, and **Paul**, **Hermes, because he was the chief speaker.** ¹³Then the priest of Zeus, whose temple was in front of their city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, intending to sacrifice with the multitudes. ¹⁴But when the apostles **Barnabas and Paul** heard this, they **tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out** ¹⁵and saying, **"Men, why**

are you doing these things? We also are men with the same nature as you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are in them, ¹⁶**who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways.**

¹⁷Nevertheless **He** did not leave **Himself** without witness, in that **He** did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." ¹⁸And with these sayings they could scarcely restrain the multitudes from sacrificing to them. ¹⁹Then Jews from **Antioch** and **Iconium** came there; and **having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead.** ²⁰However, when **the disciples gathered around him, he rose up and went (back) into the city. And the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.**

²¹And when they had preached **the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch,** ²²**strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."** ²³So when they had ap-

pointed elders in every **church**, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to **the Lord in whom they had believed.** ²⁴And after they had passed through **Pisidia**, they came to **Pamphylia.** ²⁵Now when they had preached the word in **Perga**, they went down to **Attalia.** ²⁶From there they sailed to **Antioch**, where they had been commended to **the grace of God** for the work which they had completed.

²⁷Now when they had come and gathered **the church** together, they reported all that **God** had done with them, and that **He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.** ²⁸So they stayed there a long time with **the disciples.**

Now read Phillipians 3:10 **that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection**, and the fellowship of **His sufferings**, being conformed to **His death**, ¹¹if, by any means, **I may attain to the resurrection** from the dead. κκiv.

Now the Gentiles would see the **Power of Christ's Resurrection** embodied in the Apostle Paul! **The Gospel Of Christ** would spread like a wildfire, throughout the Greek & Roman World. **Paul** left the City of **Lystra a Victor Preaching the Gospel**, and not a victim. **The Kingdom of Christ proved to be Stronger than the cities and kingdoms of men.**