



Acts – The Church on Fire

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

Chapter Twenty Four

Verse(s)

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| 1 - 4 | 1. A Christian on Fire sometimes must endure the praises for the wicked being spoken. Even though we know they are wrong and we are right, we must understand that the world will praise its own. |
| 5 - 9 | 2. A Christian on Fire must also sometimes endure the accusations and lies of others against them. It is unfair, but we must recognize that we are living in a fallen world and not everything is done as God would have it done. We may pay the price for being righteous in the midst of the unrighteous. |
| 10 | 3. A Christian on Fire must follow the laws and procedures of the land, even if they are unjust. We are only allowed to disobey them when they contradict God's law. Paul waits for his appropriate time to speak and then properly addresses the court. |
| 11 - 13 | 4. A Christian on Fire must be honest and calm and present their case in a way that is respectful of the court. |
| 14 - 15 | 5. A Christian on Fire will not back down on the truth or their faith when faced with possible punishment or death from the world. |
| 16 | 6. A Christian on Fire's battle with the world will be easier to fight if they have kept a clear conscience before the Lord. They have kept a good testimony in the world. |
| 17 - 18 | 7. A Christian on Fire needs to stick to the facts of the case and not wonder off chasing rabbits or making accusations against others in revenge. We need to not lower ourselves to the world's standards. |
| 19 - 20 | 8. A Christian on Fire should be well informed about the law so as to know how a case should be handled properly in court. In Paul's case he knew his accusers weren't even there to make their case. |
| 21 - 22 | 9. A Christian on Fire will seek those moments even in the midst of things like what Paul was going through to present the gospel or open the door to presenting it. |
| 23 - | 10. A Christian on Fire will be cared for by God whether it be emotionally, spiritually or physically when we go through these trials. God can use others to take care of us. |
| 24 - 26 | 11. A Christian on Fire will be blessed for their faithfulness during those tough times. A blessing came to Paul that allowed him to present the gospel to Felix and his wife. Sometimes people will let us speak to them about the gospel for the strangest reasons. Felix sought a bribe out of the occasion and was willing to listen as a result. |
| 27 | 12. A Christian on Fire might remain faithful during a trial in hopes of God blessing them with release from the trial only to find out that God still has allowed more for them to endure. |