

I. Prayer (Acts 12)

1. Responding to Disaster (Acts 12:1-4)

2. Prayer as combat? (Acts 12:5-12)

II. Praise!

1. Joy in war? (Acts 12:13-17)

2. What does praise communicate?

A. Communicates to Satan's forces: *your efforts are wasted here!* (Psa 8:1-2)

B. Praise enacts God's vengeance and punishment? (Psa 149:1-9)

C. Praise is a posture! (James 4:7-8)

D. Wrath (Acts 12:18-25)

III. Proclamation

1. Preaching (Acts 5:40-42)

A. Proclaiming practices! (Acts 19:1-7)

B. Preaching to persuade (Acts 19:8)

C. Packing up pearls and moving on (Acts 19:9-10)

2. Proclamation Prevails over Principalities

A. Proof for the preacher! (Acts 19:11-12)

B. Popular preacher! (Acts 19:13-17)

C. Preaching that purges pernicious practices! (v.18-19)

3. How powerful is the Word? (Acts 19:20, Jer 23:29, Isa 55:11)