Freedom from Spiritual Bondage Acts 19:8-20

Intro: Paul's extensive 3 year ministry in Ephesus (20:31) resulted in turning considerable numbers of Jews and Gentiles ("*nearly all of Asia*," 20:26) away from idolatry and magical practices, to repentance and acceptance of Jesus Christ (20:9-10; 17-20).

I. Paul's Preaching in Ephesus 19:8-10

- A. Paul's ministry in the synagogue (vv. 8-9a)
- B. Paul ministry in the school of Tyrannus (vv. 9b-10)

II. Paul Utilizes the Power of God 19:11-12

- A. Paul's message is authenticated by miracles (v. 11)
- B. People are released from diseases and demons (v. 12)

III. Paul's Preaching of Christ Triumphs Over False Religion 19:13-20

- A. Triumph of the Gospel over false Jewish exorcists (vv. 13-16)
- B. Triumph of the Gospel over magic and the occult (vv. 17-20)

Applications

- 1. Let us repent of anything hindering our service to Christ and to one another!
- 2. May each of us discover the power inherent in the name of Jesus Christ, a power that is able to deliver us from bondage to Satan, and to our old sinful ways (see Ephesians 6).
- 3. Let us become more fully acquainted with Christ through the daily study and application of His Word to our hearts.

The ABC's of Horizon Christian Church

- * A cquire the knowledge of the Son of God
- * **B** ecome mature in Christ, and be . . .
- * C ompetent to teach and to train others