

JESUS IS THE REASON FOR LIVING OUT YOUR LIFE.

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Acts 20:22–24-AMP

- 22 And now, you see, I am going to Jerusalem, bound by the [*Holy*] Spirit and obligated and compelled by the [*convictions of my own*] spirit, not knowing what will befall me there--
- 23 Except that the Holy Spirit clearly and emphatically affirms to me in city after city that imprisonment and suffering await me.
- 24 But none of these things move me; neither do I esteem my life dear to myself, if only I may finish my course with joy and the ministry which I have obtained from [*which was entrusted to me by*] the Lord Jesus, faithfully to attest to the good news (Gospel) of God's grace (His unmerited favor, spiritual blessing, and mercy).

1. Obedience helps you live on the edge of whatever happens.

bound - *a powerful fastening by heavy chains or strong ropes. To put under obligation, of duty...*

Verse 22 - **obligated and compelled** by the [*convictions of my own*] spirit...

Verse 22 – “*I am going to Jerusalem,... not knowing what will befall me there...*”

2. Obedience teaches you a eternal point of view.

Verse 24 - “*But none of these things **move me**; neither do I esteem my life dear to myself,*”

Passion – 24 “*But whether I live or die is not important, for I don’t esteem my life as indispensable.*

“I do not consider my life worth a single word.”

Verse 22-23 - not knowing what will befall me there—(in Jerusalem)

...Except that the Holy Spirit clearly and emphatically ***affirms to me in city after city that imprisonment and suffering await me.***

It’s been said that the two greatest moments in our lives are:

The moment we **are born** and...

The moment when we realize **why we were born.**

3. Obedience satisfies our deepest longing.

Verse 24 - *the ministry which I have obtained from [which was entrusted to me by] the Lord Jesus,...*

Passion - ... *It’s more important for me **to fulfill my destiny and to finish the ministry** my Lord Jesus has assigned to me, which is to faithfully preach the wonderful news of God’s grace.*

Verse 24 - *...if only I may finish my course with joy...*

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