

ACTS: Serving From Your Sweet Spot (Acts 20:17-24)

Introduction.

If you have ever hit baseball or hit a golf ball with the sweet part of the bat or the sweet part of the club you know the joy of sending the ball sailing with what feels like little effort.

Most of you baseball or softball players know you can hit a ball with the wrong part of the bat it has not zip on it, it has no power, it may even rattle your hands. However, when you hit the ball off of the sweet spot, that is the prime hitting area of the bat, its as if the ball leaps off the bat, screaming through the air with little or now effort.

The same is true with a golf club. When you “get all of it”, the same results occur with little or know effort.

There’s nothing like hitting a ball in the sweet spot.

May I suggest to you that the same is true for service to Jesus. When you serve from your sweet spot, you will see results, experience joy, and endure difficulties with greater courage and confidence. Serving from your sweet spot does not mean that difficulties will disappear, opposition will flee, or everything will be smooth sailing.

Contextualize Acts 20:17-24.

Contextualize this sermon in this series.

I. Identifying Your Sweet Spot

A) A Sense of Calling (. 24)

“I received from the Lord Jesus”

B) A Sense of Being In God's Will (v. 24)
"finish my course"

C) A Sense of God's Presence (v. 22-23)

II. Evidence Of Serving From Your Sweet Spot

A) Holy Spirit Was At Work (19:1-7)

B) Disciples Were Made (19:8-10)

C) Miracles Were Happening (19:11-12)

D) Demonism Was Defeated (19:13-41)

III. Benefit Of Serving From Your Sweet Spot

A) Confidence During Ministry (v. 17-21)

B) Joy During Ministry (v. 24)

C) Endurance During Trials (v. 22-23)

Conclusion

Find your sweet spot!!