

# Sending Off Team PNG (Part 1)

## Acts - Paul's Missionary Journeys

Sunday, November 23, 2014

### INTRODUCTION:

#### I. Encouragement Regarding Your Message.

1. *Keep the focal point Jesus.*

2. *Guard the grace of God in salvation.*

3. *Be unwaveringly committed to and versatile in communicating God's word.*

- ➔ **"Proclaiming"** = Ac 13:5 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Island of Cyprus); 13:38 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Pisidian Antioch); 15:36 (prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Paul's description of his method); 16:17 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - demon-possessed girl in Philippi); 16:21 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - masters' assessment of Paul's method in Philippi); 17:3 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Thessalonica); 17:13 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Berea); 17:18 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Athens).
- ➔ **"Teaching"** = Ac 13:12 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Island of Cyprus); 15:35 (between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Antioch of Syria); 17:19 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Athens); 18:25 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Apollos in Ephesus); 20:20 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesus-publicly and house to house).
- ➔ **"Speaking out boldly"** = Ac 13:46 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Pisidian Antioch); 14:3 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Iconium); 18:26 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Apollos in Ephesus); 19:8 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Paul in Ephesus).
- ➔ **"Testifying"** = Ac 14:3 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Iconium); 18:11 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Corinth).
- ➔ **"Preaching the gospel"** (gospelize) = 14:7 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Lycaonia, Lystra Derbe), 15 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Lystra), 21 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Derbe); 15:35 (between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Antioch of Syria); 16:10 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - what Paul would do in Macedonia); 17:18 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Athens).
- ➔ **"Speaking the word"** = 14:25 (1<sup>st</sup> MJ - Perga); 16:14 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Lydia in Philippi); 16:32 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Paul with Philippian jailer); 18:9 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Jesus to Paul in Corinth); 18:25 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Apollos in Ephesus).
- ➔ **"Reasoning"** (dialog - back and forth, give and take) = Ac 17:2 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Thessalonica); 17:17 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Athens); 18:4 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Corinth); 18:19 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Ephesus); 19:8 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Paul in Ephesus); 19:9 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesus).
- ➔ **"Explaining"** (interpreting) = 17:3 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Thessalonica).

- ➔ **"Giving evidence"** (set before) = 17:3 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Thessalonica).
- ➔ **"Persuading"** = 18:4 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Corinth); 19:8 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesus); 19:26 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesus).
- ➔ **"Solemnly testifying"** = 18:5 (2<sup>nd</sup> MJ - Corinth); 20:21, 24 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesian elders).
- ➔ **"Powerfully refuting"** (completely) = Ac 18:28 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Apollos in Achaia).
- ➔ **"Preaching"** (herald) = 19:13 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - exorcists in Ephesus concerning Paul); 20:25 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Ephesian elders).
- ➔ **"Exhorting"** = 20:2 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - Macedonian districts).
- ➔ **"Declaring"** (announcing) = 20:20, 27 (3<sup>rd</sup> MJ - with Ephesian elders).

## **II. Encouragement Regarding Your Ministry.**

1. ***Your ministry may be opposed and your life may be threatened, because where the gospel is active the devil is active.***
  
2. ***The laws of the land/tribe may be used against you and the gospel.***
  
3. ***God has no need for plan B's.***
  
4. ***Come home to report to us.***

## **III. Encouragement to all of GBC.**

1. ***Gospel ministry wonderfully unites us and also tearfully separates us.***