SERMON OUTLINE

For Those Who Serve Christ Acts 28

- I. God blesses those who serve Him (Acts 28:1-15).
 - A. <u>Protection</u>: God protected Paul from being hurt by a poisonous snake bite (28:1-6).
 - B. <u>Purpose and Provision:</u> God enabled Paul to heal the sick and be honored and gifted by those God healed (28:7-10).
 - C. <u>Encouragement and Gratitude:</u> God united Paul with believers who encouraged him (28:11-15).
- II. God uses those who serve Him (Acts 28:16-30)
 - A. <u>Opportunity</u>: Paul was given an impartial opportunity with Jewish unbelievers (28:17-22).
 - B. <u>Privilege</u>: Paul declared the gospel to Jews who believed and others who rejected it (28:23-28).
 - Paul experienced a mixed reception like we all do (2 Corinthians 2:15-16).
 - C. <u>Freedom:</u> Paul was given unique freedom as a prisoner (28: 16, 30).
 - Paul fulfilled Jesus' command to take the gospel to any and all of the world (Acts 1:8)

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