

PAUL'S 2 YEARS AND 3 MONTHS IN EPHESUS

FAITHFULLY ENDURING THROUGH THE RIGORS OF MANY ORDINARY DAYS

"For two years he continued there, so that all who lived in Asia heard the word of the Lord." — Acts 19:10

A RECONSTRUCTION TIMELINE — ACTS 19:1–10



THE RIGORS OF A TYPICAL WEEK IN EPHESUS

DAY 1 SABBATH	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
 Rest, worship, and time with believers.	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)	 5AM – 11AM WORK (TENTMAKING)
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LONG DAYS. HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY. CONSTANT OPPOSITION.
Paul worked, taught, and discipled faithfully—day after day, week after week, month after month.

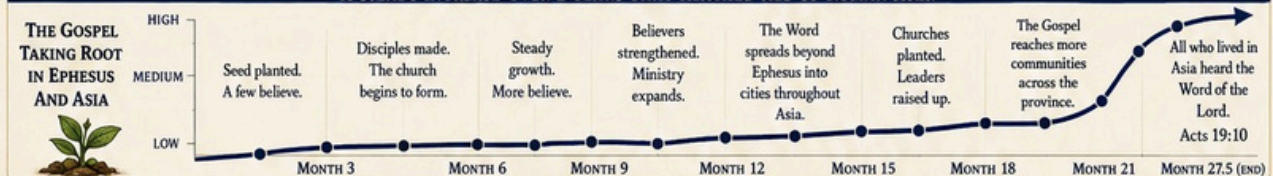


CONSTANT OPPOSITION: A SPIRITUAL BATTLE EVERY DAY

 ACTS 19:8 Toward the end of the three months in the synagogue, opposition arose from within. They slandered the Way before the crowd, stirring up division and resistance.	 2 CORINTHIANS 11:23–28 Paul endured far more than the church can imagine—imprisonments, beatings, shipwrecks, danger, sleepless nights, hunger, thirst, exposure, and constant anxiety for the churches. Yet he kept going for the sake of the gospel.	 1 CORINTHIANS 15:31–32 (WRITTEN DURING THIS 2 YEARS AND 3 MONTHS) "I protest, by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If, after the manner of men, I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantage is it to me, if the dead rise not?" Paul was literally wrestling the beasts of Ephesus for the gospel.
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SLOW. METHODICAL. POWERFUL.

A STEADY INCREASE OVER 2 YEARS THAT REACHED ALL OF ROMAN ASIA.



KEY TAKEAWAYS

-  **2 YEARS AND 3 MONTHS** of faithful endurance.
-  **ORDINARY DAYS** built an extraordinary impact.
-  **A CHURCH** formed, strengthened, and multiplied.
-  **A REGION TRANSFORMED** "All Asia heard the word." (Acts 19:10)



GOD DOESN'T ALWAYS MOVE IN A MOMENT. SOMETIMES HE MOVES THROUGH FAITHFUL PEOPLE OVER MANY ORDINARY DAYS.