

Thursday April 22

Reading

❖ Acts 13:17-38

Study

1. Describe Paul's method of teaching in verse 20.

2. Describe Paul's manner of teaching in verse 31.

3. How do you think Paul's method and manner helped the Ephesians to receive the teaching/correction that he offered?

Pray

Allow this prayer to guide you in your prayers today:

O Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for the times when I have forgotten your risen presence for ever with me.

Forgive me for times when I failed in some task, because I did not ask your help.

Forgive me for times when I fell to some temptation, because I tried to meet it myself.

Forgive me for times when I was afraid, because I thought that I was alone in the dark.

Forgive me for times when I was driven to despair, because I was trying to fight the battle in my own unaided strength.

Forgive me for times when I said and did things which now I am ashamed to remember that you heard and saw.

Forgive me for times when death seemed very terrible, and the loss of loved ones beyond all bearing, because I forgot that you have conquered death.

May I hear you again say, I am with you always, to the very end of the age and may we find courage and strength in that promise to meet all things.³

This I ask for your loves' sake. Amen.

For our church:

❖ Pray for our church as we go into the spring season . Pray that God will knit us together so that we can raise our praise to him with one voice. Pray that our vision will be clear and our witness to Christ, faithful.