

Today's Theme:

“The Real Thing... The Closer You Get The Better It Looks!”

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Series: The Book Of Acts- Part 34

Acts 19

“I tell you the solemn truth, the one who believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life...51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats from this bread he will live forever.” Jn 6:47-51

On Missionary Journey No. 3 For Paul, He Experiences How The Real Thing Is Unstoppable

1. In Ephesus A Coastal Discovery Finds 12 Men

_____ The Real Thing. Acts 19:1-7

- Notice- these men identify as _____ but something's missing- Vs.1
- Paul asks a revealing question about the HS that ID's their spiritual _____... Vs. 2
- They knew about JTB's baptism- but not _____ baptism. Vs.3
- These guys didn't know Jesus was the Messiah- These were _____ Saints- Vs.5-7

1). We Learn The Book Of Acts Is A

History/Transitional Book & Does Not Set The Norms For _____ Life Today. 1 Cor.2:12; 14:22

- Today- HS's given to every true _____.
- Sign gifts welcomed these _____ believers!
- Now Jews, Samaritans, Gentiles & OT Saints who B&R _____ all part of God's Kingdom!

Speaking Of The Real Thing- Let Me Pose a Question: Why Did 27 Books Make The Final List We Know As The New Testament?

1. *The Di Vinci Code* book created NT _____.
2. Early Christian leaders _____ the NT docs.
3. The authority of the NT texts already _____ in the docs themselves-understood by early leaders.
4. NT Canon did not get legitimacy from outside groups, the _____ of the books/letters already existed in the documents themselves. 2 Pet.1:18-21
5. The 27 books, Canon, were 1st century writings by the men Jesus chose or their close associates to complete Jesus' _____ to the world.
6. 21 of the 27 books were accepted B/C of apostolic _____. Final 6 acknowledged by 400 AD.

We Got The “Real Thing”...But, A Group Of Exorcists Get A Lesson About The “Real Thing”!

1. 7 misguided sons claiming to be _____ ok learn what's missing in the worst way. Acts 19:13-20
 - Trouble starts when evil spirits _____ you Q's!
 - I know Jesus- _____ about Paul, but: _____ are you?
 - Result: the 7 sons _____ & stripped- run off!
 - These men didn't have the _____ & it matters.
2. By these men not being the real thing spiritually their outcome had big impact on _____! Vs.17-20
 - Can't be a good example- always be a _____ one!

Let Me Ask- Do You Have The _____ Thing?