

Modern Lesson

JULY 5, 2020
ACT
 WITH COURAGE

Our Modern Lesson today is from Letter from Birmingham City Jail, April, 1963, by the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Hear these words:

Wherever the early Christians entered a town the power structure got disturbed and immediately sought to convict them for being “disturbers of the peace” or “outside agitators.” But they went on with the conviction that they were a “colony of heaven” and had to obey God rather than man. They were strong in numbers but big in commitment... If the church of today does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early church, it will lose its authentic ring, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning for the twentieth century.

May God bless the reading and the hearing of these new words. Amen.

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Week Ending	Amount Received	Budget	Over (Under) Budget
06/14/20	\$29,612	\$30,000	(\$388)
06/21/20	\$45,702	\$52,000	(\$6,298)
06/28/20	\$42,727	\$30,000	\$12,727
YTD 2020	\$1,003,509	\$1,064,000	(\$60,491)

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Scripture Lesson / Acts 20: 18-24

Our Scripture Lesson this morning is from the 20th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, verses 18 through 24.

Hear these words:

Paul said to the elders of the church: “You know how I lived the whole time I was with you, from the first day I came into the province of Asia.

I served the Lord with great humility and with tears and in the midst of severe testing by the plots of my opponents. You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.

“And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me. However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace.”

May God bless the hearing of these ancient words. Amen.

