

## Acts 11:19-12:25

### Listening Guide

Believers are called Christians at Antioch. Herod beheads James and imprisons Peter, but an angel of the Lord delivers Peter. An angel of the Lord strikes Herod who dies. The word of the Lord continues to grow.

1. In spite of persecution, the church grows as believers exercise the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit.
2. “The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord” is mighty, active, upholds & preserves believers, but is against evil. 11:21, 13:11
3. “The \_\_\_\_\_ of God” is visible through the gifts of the Spirit. 11:23-30, 1 Cor 12:7-11
4. The battle between Christ and Satan is carried out on \_\_\_\_\_ through Spirit filled Christians who stand against evil.
5. Christians may be imprisoned but \_\_\_\_\_ can’t be. James 5:16
6. The Lord is not blind to evil. A day of \_\_\_\_\_ will come. Heb 9:27

#### Reassurances:

1. The Lord uses believers to \_\_\_\_\_ unbelievers to Himself...even during persecution. 11:19-30
2. The Lord sheds light in my \_\_\_\_\_ and shows me the way to go. 12:7, Ps 119:105
3. The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ chains as I walk in His will. 12:7, Rom 8:2
4. The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ closed doors for me to walk through them. 12:10
5. The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ me from evil. 12:11, Col 1:13
6. The Lord acts \_\_\_\_\_ according to His purposes and fervent prayer. 12:11-12, James 5:16, Is 55:8-9
7. The Lord is \_\_\_\_\_. He gently strikes believers to waken us to walk in His will. He will strike down evil. 12:7, 23

#### Take Aways - Star the “take away” the Lord is speaking to you about.

1. I can be permeated with the Holy Spirit and faith. 11:23, Heb 2:4
2. I can yield to the hand of the Lord. I can demonstrate the grace of the Lord. 11:21-24
3. I can encourage Christians with a “resolute” (purposeful) heart to stay true to the Lord. 11:23
4. I can grow and yield to God’s purposes in the different seasons of my life as Saul did. 11:25-26
5. I can use my spiritual gift and bring others along to use their gift as Barnabas did. 11:25-26
6. I can contribute to needs according to my means. 11:27-30
7. I can sleep knowing God is sovereign in my life and world. 12:1-6, Ps 4:8
8. I can stretch out my hand in fervent prayer and celebrate God's answers. 12:5, 15-16, Is 55:8-9

How you will act on the take away you starred?

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