

Sermon Starter – The Early Church, Our Church: Ephesus

Acts 20:17-38, Ephesians 3:14-21

In the Acts passage (Acts 20:17-28), Paul is saying goodbye to the elders of the Ephesian church after his three years of ministry with them. Paul has suffered many trials in his ministry. Through it all he has remained motivated and energized through the power of the Holy Spirit, as he mentions in Ephesians 3:16.

How does Paul experience the generalizing gifts of the Holy Spirit? How do we in our churches today experience these gifts, especially as a community? How is God working among us right now?

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