

## USEFUL TO THE LORD

## **Ultimate Realities**

ACTS 13:24-31

Dr. Mike Fabarez • Focal Point Radio Ministries • February 5 & 6, 2022 • Acts, week 63	• Msg. 22-05	Acts 13:24 Before his coming, John had proclaimed a baptism of repentance to all the
1. Profoundly	(vv.24-25)	people of Israel. 25 And as John was finishing his course, he said, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but behold, after me one is coming, the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie.' 26 "Brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation. 27 For those who live in Jerusalem and their rulers, because they did not recognize him nor understand the utterances of the
2. Crave	(vv.26-27)	prophets, which are reac every Sabbath, fulfilled
	(**.23 21)	them by condemning him. 28 And though they found in him no guilt worthy of death, they asked Pilate to have him executed. 29 And when they had carried out all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. 30 But God raised him from the dead, 31 and for many days he appeared to those who had come up with him from Galilee to
3. Prize	(vv.28-31)	Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to

## **Application Questions**

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

- 1. Read **John 1:1-18**. What in this lengthy introduction to John's Gospel helps to elevate your passion to see people see Jesus Christ for who he truly is? What motivations do you find in this passage to be his ambassador?
- 2. Read **Matthew 28:18-19**. This closing section of Matthew's Gospel caps the detailed record of Christ's costly redemptive work. How does a consideration of his authority in that context aid your obedience to his commission?
- 3. Read **John 5:39-46**. How can you testify to the ways selfish motives or sinful desires cloud the clear understanding and application of Scripture?
- 4. Read **Ephesians 1:16-23**. What is the practical advantage for Christians to pray (for themselves and others) and see God answer the prayers found in vv.17-19?
- 5. Read Hebrews 9:11-15. How do you think your daily life would be impacted if you were to understand more of the depths and riches of this description of Christ's work?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

February 6th

Ex.39-40 & Mt.24:1-22

February 7th

Lev.1-3 & Mt.24:23-51

February 8th

Lev.4-6 & Mt.25:1-30

February 9th

Lev.7-9 & Mt.25:31-46

February 10th

Lev.10-12 & Mt.26:1-19

February 11th

Lev.13 & Mt.26:20-54

February 12th

Lev.14 & Mt.26:55-75

February 13th

Lev.15-17 & Mt.27:1-31

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Msg. 18-36 - Condemned in Our Place

Msg. 19-03 - Reading Scripture in Light of Redemption

Msg. 13-28 - Obsolete & Eternal Covenants

Msg. 18-32 - The Price of Forgiveness

Msg. 10-54 – *The Deity of Christ* 

Msg. 18-08 – Admiring God's Dynastic Plans

Msg. 10-51 – 10-62 – *Christology* (a twelve-part series on the person & work of Christ)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Bowman, Robert and Ed Komoszewski. Putting Jesus in His Place: A Case for the Deity of Christ. Kregel, 2007.

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Sire, James W. Scripture Twisting: Twenty Ways the Cults Misread the Bible. InterVarsity Press, 1980.

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