

**Today and Looking Ahead**  
 Thursday, Sept 10 & 24 – Guitar Group, here at Bethel. 7 pm  
 Sunday mornings in October -- Operation Christmas Child box packing

**Offering for August 30**

Offering \$1350    Missions Balance \$4406    Building Fund Balance \$8785

**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Sept 12 – Mike Schaffter                          Sept 14 – Mariah Kulton  
 Sept 17 – Benny Miller                              Sept 19 – Greg & Kristi McElroy

**Daily Bible Reading Week (September 6 - 12)**

- 1) 2 Chronicles 29-31; 1 Corinthians 8
- 2) 2 Kings 18-19; 2 Chronicles 32; Psalm 67; 1 Corinthians 9
- 3) Isaiah 36-37; Psalm 123; 1 Corinthians 10
- 4) 2 Kings 20; Isaiah 38-40; Psalm 68; 1 Corinthians 11
- 5) Isaiah 41-44; 1 Corinthians 12

*Offering Deposit Box is at the rear of the Sanctuary*

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**Weekly Prayer Meetings continue faithfully each week. God’s people need to pray together for our world, nation, church and families. Check with Andrea for more information.**

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***If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.***

2 Chronicles 7:14

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**Brian Gerber, Pastor**

**September 6, 2020**  
**10 am Worship**  
**11am Fellowship/Study**  
**<https://mybethel.church>**

**WELCOME TO BETHEL**

*Prelude*

*Songs of Praise and Worship*

- 9                          Come Thou Almighty King
- 461                      I Will Sing the Wondrous Story
- 504                      Precious Lord Take My Hand

*Scripture Reading*

Acts 19:21-41

*Message*

“Hated By All”  
 Brian Gerber, Pastor

*Prayer Requests*

*Announcements*

*Closing Hymn*

- 615                      On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

## Sermon Notes

Hated by All

Acts 19:21-41

**Theme:** Two reasons why Christians are hated by the world are \_\_\_\_\_ disturbance and \_\_\_\_\_ restriction

### 1. Rage

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

~The call of Jesus on a persons' life always involves a challenge to give up what is most cherished to the \_\_\_\_\_. Those who refuse to relinquish, are not \_\_\_\_\_.

### 2. Risk

### 3. Rescue

Application:

a) Being a Christian inevitably brings hatred from the \_\_\_\_\_

b) We are commanded not to \_\_\_\_\_ the hatred of the world

c) We are warned against \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus

## ACTS 19:21-41 ESV

21 Now after these events Paul resolved in the Spirit to pass through Macedonia and Achaia and go to Jerusalem, saying, "After I have been there, I must also see Rome." 22 And having sent into Macedonia two of his helpers, Timothy and Erastus, he himself stayed in Asia for a while.

23 About that time there arose no little disturbance concerning the Way. 24 For a man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the craftsmen. 25 These he gathered together, with the workmen in similar trades, and said, "Men, you know that

from this business we have our wealth. 26 And you see and hear that not only in Ephesus but in almost all of Asia this Paul has persuaded and turned away a great many people, saying that gods made with hands are not gods. 27 And there is danger not only that this trade of ours may come into disrepute but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis may be counted as nothing, and that she may even be deposed from her magnificence, she whom all Asia and the world worship."

28 When they heard this they were enraged and were crying out, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!" 29 So the city was filled with the confusion, and they rushed together into the theater, dragging with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were Paul's companions in travel. 30 But when Paul wished to go in among the crowd, the disciples would not let him. 31 And even some of the Asiarchs, who were friends of his, sent to him and were urging him not to venture into the theater. 32 Now some cried out one thing, some another, for the assembly was in confusion, and most of them did not know why they had come together. 33 Some of the crowd prompted Alexander, whom the Jews had put forward. And Alexander, motioning with his hand, wanted to make a defense to the crowd. 34 But when they recognized that he was a Jew, for about two hours they all cried out with one voice, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

35 And when the town clerk had quieted the crowd, he said, "Men of Ephesus, who is there who does not know that the city of the Ephesians is temple keeper of the great Artemis, and of the sacred stone that fell from the sky? 36 Seeing then that these things cannot be denied, you ought to be quiet and do nothing rash. 37 For you have brought these men here who are neither sacrilegious nor blasphemers of our goddess. 38 If therefore Demetrius and the craftsmen with him have a complaint against anyone, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls. Let them bring charges against one another. 39 But if you seek anything further, it shall be settled in the regular assembly. 40 For we really are in danger of being charged with rioting today, since there is no cause that we can give to justify this commotion." 41 And when he had said these things, he dismissed the assembly.