April 2024 Commands and Stories

Apr 7 Luke 21:14, <u>make up your minds</u> (not to prepare defense);

Story: Acts 25:1 to 26:32, Paul before king and governor (*Metamorphosis*, pp 263-270)

Apr 14 Matthew 10:27, **speak** (to others what Jesus says);

Story: Acts 27:1-44, Paul to Malta (*Metamorphosis*, pp 270-274)

Apr 21 Matthew 5:16, <u>let your light shine:</u>

Story: Acts 28:1-10, Paul at Malta (*Metamorphosis*, pp 275-277)

Apr 28 Matthew 28:18-20, make disciples;

Story: Acts 28:11-31, Paul at Rome (*Metamorphosis*, pp 278-283)

When meditating on the commands and stories, keep these questions in mind:

- What do I learn about God, Jesus, and/or the Holy Spirit?
- What do I learn about man/ people?
- What troubles or bothers me? What does the Holy Spirit reveal to me in light of this?
- How does the command connect to the story?
- What is God saying to me (or what should I obey) & what am I going to do about it?
- Do I have any fears, doubts, or resistance in keeping this command?
- What does this command reveal about the condition of my heart what do I really believe and what do I really want?