

March 2024 Commands and Stories

Mar 3 Matthew 10:16, **be (become) shrewd and innocent;**

Story: Acts 20:1-12; letter to Romans 1 – 16, Macedonia and Greece (*Metamorphosis*, pp 220-231)

Mar 10 Luke 8:18, **take care how** you listen;

Story: Acts 20:13-38, farewell to Ephesus (*Metamorphosis*, pp 231-233)

Mar 17 Revelation 2:7, 29, **hear** what the Spirit says to the ekklesias;

Story: Acts 21:1-15, heading to Jerusalem (*Metamorphosis*, pp 233-239)

Mar 24 Mark 13:5, **see that** you are not misled; Acts 21:16 to 22:29, Paul arrested (*Metamorphosis*, pp 240-249)

Mar 31 (Easter) Matthew 10:19, **do not worry** what to say;

Story: Acts 22:30 to 24:27, Paul's defense (*Metamorphosis*, pp 249-262)

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?