

"Three Kinds of Hearing" Acts 17:32-34.

- 1-Paul in Athens.....
  - 1-It is not always given to the hardest and most conscientious labourer to reap a large harvest.
  - 2-In the city of Athens, Paul counted more disappointment than gain.....
  - 3-This passage speaks of three kinds of hearers.....
  - 4-These verses state facts.....
    - 1-Facts that were ( and ) facts that to often are..... NOTICE
- 2-There are those who hear and mock..... ( WHY )
  - 1-They mock when they hear something and when they fear that something.....
  - 2-They mock when they cannot confute what is spoken into their ear.....
  - 3-They mock when they cannot understand and when they don't try to understand.....
  - 4-They mock when they are ready to risk everything rather than yield anything of self and self-will
- 3-There are those who hear and procrastinate.....
  - 1-They procrastinate when they are persuaded.
    - 1-Felix and his wife Drusilla. Acts 24:24-25.
    - 2-King Agrippa...Acts 26:28, Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian..
  - 2-They procrastinate when it is no matter of "two opinions" but of active duty or public declaration of themselves.....
    - 1-Some people will not be bound by a given duty.
    - 2-Some will not definitely stand for anything...
      - 1-I go to all the churches.
      - 2-Go to the church of your choice.
  - 3-They procrastinate when they feel they are not prepared to do or say the right thing.
    - 1-When I am good enough I expect to become a Christian ETC...

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- 4-There are those who hear and believe.....
  - 1-They believe and obey the Gospel.
    - 1-Those on the day of pentecost. (Acts 2nd chapter )
    - 2-Philip preaching in Samaria. Acts 8:1-25.
      - 1-Philip went down to the city of Samaria
      - 2-The city of Samaria was built by Omri, king of Israel. 1-Kings 16:24...
      - 3-Jerusalem was situated on a higher elevation than Samaria....So Philip "went down to Samaria."
    - 3-Philip and the Ethiopian. Acts 8:26-40

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