

**Dear Precious Friend,** 

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## **Continuing in the Book of Acts: Part Two**

I returned recently from a wonderful trip to the land. I spent time with the Tikkun-Revive leadership team in Jerusalem and with special friends. The Lord also provided some special divine connections for sharing the gospel.

While in Haifa, I met a young Italian Jew at a Christian guesthouse who has been traveling the world for several years doing yoga and meditation. He told me that he was surprised when he passed the guesthouse because he had seen it in a dream, so he walked in. He told me he was drawn to me. I shared Yeshua and told him about true mediation on the word of God. He told me he had been studying in Jerusalem at a Yeshiva, but suddenly left because when they started to say very detestable things about Yeshua, he suddenly began to feel deep pain in his soul. He was open to hear about the Lord. I opened the scriptures and he prayed to receive his Messiah and a bible. We both left the guesthouse to go our ways.

I decided to walk by the sea before leaving the area. Suddenly I saw him sitting under a tree reading the Bible. He said, "I was just thinking about you!" He asked me to sit down and he told me that he had had a dream a few days before where someone showed him a big black Book and told him to read it. The Bible I had given him from the guesthouse was a big black hard-covered one! Dear friend, salvation is supernatural and so is real evangelism. The Lord does it all by the Spirit. He says, "follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." We cast the net according to His word and He fills it with fish.

A Greek university professor from Berea sat next to me on the flight. The odds of this happening are so very small that I took it as the divine leading of the Lord and shared Yeshua with her during the entire two hours flight. Though quite secular, the Lord had already prepared this special woman by bringing her to Israel for the first time for a work seminar. She was already amazed and awakened to the prophetic significance of the return of God's people to the land and their miraculous advancement on all levels. She was open to hear about the Jewish Messiah. I recently saw her in Thessaloniki and our discussion about the Lord is deepening. We are building a relationship in God.

I stayed in Athens for a few days and then headed up north. As I was getting off the train in Thessaloniki, I began to speak with a Greek woman who became very interested in who I was and what I do after I shared that I lived in Israel for many years. She was Greek Orthodox and quite open and hungry for more of God. We exchanged phone numbers and promised to get together. When I told her where I lived, she asked if I shopped in the nearby health food shop where her son worked. It turns out that I have shared the Lord with him a number of times! He has been open to a point, but always cautious and always trying to figure out where I stand with Orthodoxy. The chances of meeting the mother of someone I have shared the Lord with is very slim indeed, but this was a God set up! When I went to the shop the next day, her son happened to be on shift and immediately told me that his mom had called to tell him that she had met me. He is more open now since he realized it was supernatural to

meet his mother. He is asking me Bible questions. Praise the Lord! This is how the Lord works when He desires to open hearts to the gospel who would otherwise not be willing to listen.

My friend and prayer partner, Claudia, visited me for two weeks and our times in prayer and evangelism were powerful. Every day we spent hours in intercession and received many prophetic words from the Spirit. We had been praying for the Israel-Greece connection for days when we suddenly found out that Netanyahu was in Thessaloniki to sign a trilateral agreement with Greece and Cyprus, something the Lord had shown me many years ago. We were so excited that we ran out with another friend to see if we could get near the building where the agreement was being signed. There was a heavy police presence, but I was able to share the gospel with several undercover officers and a few policemen. One of the officers told us he had had a dream recently that shook him. In the dream he was shot in the head and died. He went to heaven and saw astonishing things. Right there in the parking lot, he gave his life publicly to the Lord. Another policeman listened very intensely, then bowed his head unashamedly and prayed with repentance and faith in Christ right there on the street in front of his squad! When he finished praying, his face was shining like an angel!

Another evening, we walked to a harbor for sunset and met a young man who was fishing. He said he had been in a depression, has gotten a bit better, but was prepared to hear the word of the Lord. He was very transparent as are so many of the young Greeks. He prayed to accept the Lord as the sun was setting.

One day, we drove north to visit a missionary couple who have built a real paradise with organic fields and orchards of every kind of tree and plant on large sprawling acres of land at the foot of a spectacular mountain. On the way, we stopped to ask directions from a man and as I began to share quickly about the Lord, his eyes welled up with tears. I prayed with him and he asked for my number so that he can talk further about the Lord and learn of Him. Lately many people I have shared with start welling up with tears and some even cry. This is the Lord's doing as we have prayed for a genuine move of God's Spirit unto repentance and salvation.

Another day, we drove to Berea to visit our good friends who pastor a church there and oversee the synagogue where the Apostle Paul preached and where the Greek Jews were rounded up by the Nazis. It's an amazing place that God preserved during the war and has now restored for His end time purposes. Thousands of Israelis visit the synagogue as well as tour groups from the nations. It's an ancient well that has been reopened for salvation and every time I go there, the Lord moves supernaturally.

As we arrived, a number of Israelis, Greeks, Scandinavians and Germans were already there waiting in the synagogue to hear the profound story of the Greek Jews. I shared the story since the regular tour guide was absent. I wove the history of the Greek Jews together with the truth about Paul's testimony of the Messiah. One of the women who was backslidden began to cry. The Germans kept saying, "I never heard this before." One Israeli young man was deeply touched and desired to join us for a beverage at the river. He wanted to know EVERYTHING about how I met Yeshua. He listened for several hours as we read scripture. He gladly received the New Testament to learn more. I prayed for him and I honestly felt Yeshua's presence overshadowing us. It was amazing! As the Jewish Greek bridge gets firmly built and many Jews come again to the New Covenant cities, I believe the Lord will stir up revival fires in the region as it was in the Book of Acts. We are in preparation, but the signs are clear.

One day, we spoke with a very honest young man in his shop about his faith, future, etc. About half the young Greeks are leaving their country to find jobs and a better life somewhere else. He too will leave for Sweden soon. A whole generation is being removed from their land, family, culture, etc. Without bitterness, he told us that the blame has to be put on the previous generation. He said that his generation was given nothing in the way of preparation for a future. They were not given models or principles or anything to prepare them. Somehow I knew it was true and I felt the pain of this neglect. I told him that many believers in my generation have repented of the poor examples we had been and I offered to pray for him. He received.

We then went next door to a unique coffee shop that has been owned and run by a family for over 65 years. We shared with the young but very exhausted man behind the counter who was trying to make it through his long and arduous 16 hour work day with ongoing excruciating pain in his legs. I offered to pray for his legs. He sat down on a chair to receive and within minutes, was instantly healed! No more pain! He jumped up and started to mop the floor!

And so many other supernatural stories.....

Thank you for your effectual fervent prayers which are availing much and your faithful support! The harvest is ready, but the workers are few. Pray for the Lord to send out more workers to bring in the harvest. Pray for more intercessors to come to pray through for the Jewish-Greek Bridge to be established and for revival to come again to this region.

Shalom and love,

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