

# Pure from the Blood

**TEXT: Acts 20:26-27**

## INTRODUCTION:

- A. PAUL DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY IN OTHERS' LOSS.
- B. THIS WAS BECAUSE HE “**SHRANK NOT** ....”
- C. PAUL HAS MUCH TO SAY ABOUT PURITY IN THIS MATTER.
  - 1. About attitude.
  - 2. About actions.

## I. SAID HE WAS SERVING THE LORD ( vs. 18-19 ).

### EVIDENCED BY:

- A. TEARS AND PERSISTENCE( vs. 19, 31 ).
  - 1. Many admonitions weren't readily received.
    - a. Perhaps hard to understand at first ( **2 Pet. 3:15-16** ).
    - b. Perhaps they seemed harsh and unreasonable ( **Gal. 4:16** ).
  - 2. To Timothy ( **2 Tim. 4:2** ). “Longsuffering” – **persistent**.
  - 3. Tears manifested urgency and sincerity ( **Rom. 9:1-2; 10:1** ).
    - a. Not motivated by gain ( vs. 33-34 ).
    - b. Practiced what he preached ( vs. 35; **Phil. 4:9** ).
- B. HIS CARE **NOT TO LEAVE ANYTHING OUT**.
  - 1. All that was profitable.
    - a. Generally ( vs. 20-21, 25 ).
    - b. Definitively – the Whole counsel of God.
      - if they needed a lesson on faith, godliness, works.
      - if they needed a lesson on issues he did not soft-soap.
  - 2. What determined his subject matter was not what they would or would not receive – **it was what they needed!!**
  - 3. **2 Tim. 4:2. In season and out.** “Reprove, rebuke, exhort.”
  - 4. **Gal. 4:16.** Will this cause hard feelings? ( **2 Cor. 6:11-13** ).

## II. HE MADE PROVISION FOR THEIR FUTURE ( vs. 28-32 ).

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR ELDERS!

- A. TAKE HEED – WATCH – PAY ATTENTION ( **Heb. 13:17; 1 Pet. 5:2** ).
- B. FEED – TEACH – ADMONISH ( **1 Thess. 5:12; Titus 1:9** ).
- C. OUR DUTY ( **Heb. 13:17; 1 Tim. 5:1, 17; 1 Thess. 5:12-13** ).
- D. THEIR MOTIVATION:
  - 1. Apparent danger ( vs. 29-30 ).
  - 2. Paul's labor ( vs. 31 ).
  - 3. The inheritance ( vs. 32 ).

## CONCLUSION:

- A. THE RESULT AS FAR AS PAUL WAS CONCERNED? ( vs. 26 ).
- B. THEIR REACTION, HOPEFULLY ( **1 Thess. 2:13** ).
- C. THE OBJECTIVE IN ALL TEACHING ( **Acts 20:32** ).
- D. WHAT ABOUT YOU?