

**Living Water Part 40**  
**Acts 20:1-16**

**The Title Of The Message: “Moving Forward”**

**The Key Word: Ready**

**The Thought: No matter the troubles trials or blessings, we must move forward in our relationship with the Lord.**

**The Breakdown:**

**Verses 1-6 Moving In Ministry...**

**Verses 7-12 Moving In The Word...**

**Verses 13-16 Continuing In Ministry...**

**Verses 1-6 Moving In Ministry...**

**Acts 20:1**

**After the uproar had ceased...**

**Paul called the disciples to [himself]...**

**Galatians 3:28 (NKJV) There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.**

**Acts 20:2-3**

**Now when he had gone over...**

**“If this road is so hard, so what? If it leads me into bonds or affliction, so what? What happens to me is irrelevant. I’m His.”  
-Pastor Chuck Smith**

**2 Corinthians 4:7–11**

**He came to Greece...**

**Matthew 4:7 (NKJV) Jesus said to him, “It is written again, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’”**

**Acts 20:4-6**

**And Sopater of Berea accompanied him...**

**1 Corinthians 12:26 (NKJV) And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.**

**Aristarchus’ = Aristocracy speaks of his wealth**

**Secundus = Second speaks of his slavery**

**Romans 13:8 (NKJV) Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.**

**John 13:34–35**

**Verses 7-12 Moving In The Word...**

**Acts 20:7**

**Now on the first day of the week...**

**Romans 14:4–6**

**Acts 20:8-12**

**There were many lamps...**

**But Paul went down...**

**Eutychus' = "Fortunate"**

**Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV) For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.**

**2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NKJV) 16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

**The Word of God is important to the people of God, and the preaching and teaching of the Word must be emphasized. The church meets for edification as well as for celebration, and that edification comes through the Word. -Warren Wiersbe**

**And they brought the young man in alive...**

**Verses 13-16 Continuing In Ministry...**

**Acts 20:13-15**

**Then we went ahead to the ship...**

**Acts 20:16**

**For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus...**

## **Application:**

- 1. If we don't move forward in the ministry, then we will be stagnant or worse we will move backwards.**
- 2. Moving forward in the Word brings maturity, and is key in practical living for the believer.**
- 3. If we are going to continue in our service to the Lord, we must like Paul, keep our eyes on Jesus.**