

Focus Points

"Focus Points" are short activities that draw students into the lesson. They take only a few minutes to do. Many can be used as quick-start activities to engage the students and focus their attention at the beginning of class. Others may fit well during the lesson to reinforce a point and drive it home. Still others may serve as good wrap-up activities. "Focus Points" come in many forms. Choose and use them as you see fit.

For this activity, give everyone a slip of paper at the beginning of class. Read the statements to them in quick succession (they all refer to Ephesus) and tell them to name the place on their paper. Whether they know the answer or not, this warm-up activity will get them ready to learn about Paul's work at Ephesus.

Focus Point – Paul's Third Missionary Journey

Name the Place!

- > Paul made a brief stop here the end of his second missionary journey (Acts 18:19-21).
- > On his third missionary journey, Paul preached in the synagogue here for three months (Acts 19:1-8).
- > Paul preached for two more years in the school of Tyrannus, also located in this place (Acts 19:9-10).
- > Many converts burned their books of magic here (Acts 19:19).
- > The goddess Diana (Artemis) was worshiped in this place (Acts 19:23-27).
- > Demetrius the silversmith set off a riot against Paul in this place (Acts 19:28-41).
- > Paul fought with beasts in this city (1 Corinthians 15:32)!

What is the name of this place?