

RIOT IN EPHESUS

BIG IDEA

Demetrius, the silversmith, started a riot when he felt that Paul's preaching threatened his business.

KEY VERSES

Acts 19:23-41

MEMORY VERSE

Acts 19:20

"In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power."

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE SKIT

- Cast: 6-8 people. Narrator #1, Narrator #2, Person #1, Person #2, Leader, Demetrius, 1-2 Extra People for the Crowd.
- Props: None

GAME

- You will need to find 2 chairs on location
- List of prepared questions

CRAFT

- Cereal box type cardboard (several per child)
- Yarn of various colors
- String or ribbon
- Tape

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)



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STAGING

Position the Crowd and People on the left side of the stage, the Narrators in the center, and the Leader and Demetrius on the right side of the stage.

SCRIPT

Narrator #1: Paul had been teaching in the city of Ephesus for a couple of years—

Narrator #2: That's long sermon!

Narrator #1: He healed many people...

Narrator #2: Ta-da!

Narrator #1: And everyone I the are heard about Jesus, and was amazed—

Narrator #2: That's amazing!

Narrator #1: People admitted their wrongs and burned their books of magic—

Narrator #2: --in one gigantic campfire.

Narrator #1: While all this was going on,

Narrator #2: A silversmith named Demetrius god upset.

Demetrius: I don't like this Paul guy one little bit!

Narrator #1: You see, Demetrius made lots of money selling little silver statues of a made-up goddess named Artimes.

Demetrius: No one is gonna buy my little statues anymore!

Narrator #2: So he gathered his friends and coworkers.

Demetrius: My friends!

People: (Together) Yes!

Demetrius: We make lots of money, don't we?

People: (Together) Oh, yeah!

Demetrius: But now Paul is telling people that his God is the best, right?

People: (Together) Right!

Demetrius: And lots of people are believing him, right

People: (Together) Right!

Demetrius: And people might stop coming to worship our goddess, right?

People: (Together) Right...

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Demetrius: And they might stop buying our little silvers statues!

People: (Together) Aha...aha...we see what you mean...

Narrator #1: His friends go gall upset and started to yell,

People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess! Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess!

Narrator #1: They grabbed two of Paul's friends and rushed them into the stadium.

Narrator #2: Paul wanted to calm things down. But his friends held him back.

Narrator #1: Paul said, "Let me in there! I'll quiet the crowd!"

Narrator #2: His friends said, "No, Paul! It's too dangerous!"

People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess! Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess!

Narrator #1: Some people were yelling one thing...

Person #1: ONE THING!

Narrator #1: And others were yelling something else...

Person #2: Boogie, floogie, ma-googie!

Narrator #1: I said they were yelling something else.

Person #2: I know. And "boogie, floogie, ma-googie" is something else!

Narrator #1: I'll say...Anyway, most of the people there didn't even know what was going on!

People: (Together) We don't know what's going on!

Narrator #2: But the friends of Demetrius kept right on yelling—

People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess! Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess!

Narrator #1: The whole town was there. Everything was getting out of control.

Narrator #2: Until, finally a man name Alexander went up on stage—

People: (Together) Boo! Boo!

Narrator #1: He held up his hand for everyone to be quiet—

People: (Together) Boo! Boo!

Narrator #2: But it didn't work.

People: (Together) Boo! Boo!

Narrator #1: Because the people saw he was a Jew, just like Paul, and they kept yelling over and over---

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People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess! Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess!

Narrator #1: This wen on for two hours—

People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great—

Narrator #1: Um, we're not gonna do it for two hours today.

People: (Together) Aha...aha...we see what you mean...

Narrator #2: Finally, on of the town leaders calmed everyone down.

Leader: Quiet everyone! Calm down! Let me say something!

Demetrius: Shhh!

Leader: Everyone knows that we're the ones who care for the temple of Artemis—

People: (Together) Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess! Artemis of Ephesus is the great goddess!

Leader: Yeah, so I've heard. But these men haven't stolen anything, right?

People: (Together) Right!

Leader: They haven't robbed you, right?

People: (Together) Right!

Leader: They haven't even made fun of our goodness, right?

People: (Together) Right!

Leader: So if anyone wants to use them, take them to court!

People: (Together) Take it to the Judge. Take it to the Judge!

Leader: Right! But for now, everyone go home. We have no reason to get all carried away here!

People: (Together) Take to the Judge. Take it to the Judge!

Leader: Right, we've been over that... Now go on home! We don't want to start a riot!

Narrator #2: So, finally, everyone went home.

Narrator #1: Whew.

Narrator #2: No kidding...and when it was all done, Paul encouraged the believers.

Narrator #1: He said, "Don't be upset; God is with you. He loves you and will take care of you!"

Narrator #2: Aha...aha...we see what you mean...

Narrator #1: Paul said good bye to his friends.

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Narrator #2: Then Paul went to another city to share the good news of Jesus with them.

Everyone: (Together) The End!

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why was Demetrius so upset?
- What was he trying to do when he spoke to the crowds of people?
- How did God use the Leader to calm the crowd down?
- What did Paul do after the angry crowd went home?

SIMPLIFIED LESSON OPTIONS

- *Tell the account of the Riot in Ephesus from Acts 19 in simple story form or read it from a children's bible.*
- *Ask 2-3 of the simpler discussion questions.*

EL ALBOROTO EN EFESO

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Gran Idea: Demetrio, el platero, comenzó un alboroto cuando sintió que la predicación de Pablo puso en peligro su negocio.

Versículo para memorizar: " De esta forma la Palabra del Señor crecía y se difundía en el poder"
Hechos 19:20

Intérpretes: 6-8 personas. Narrador # 1, # 2 Narrador, Persona # 1, # 2 Persona, Líder, Demetrio, 1-2 Personas para la multitud

Accesorios: Ninguno

Narrador 1: Pablo había estado enseñando en la ciudad de Éfeso durante un par de años-

Narrador 2: Eso es un sermón largo!

Narrador 1: El sanó a mucha gente ...

Narrador 2: Ta-da!

Narrador 1: Y todos allí oyeron hablar de Jesús, y quedaron sorprendidos-

Narrador 2: Eso es increíble!

Narrador 1: Las personas admitieron sus errores y quemaron sus libros de magia-

Narrador 2: - en una hoguera gigantesca.

Narrador 1: Mientras todo esto sucedía,

Narrador 2: Un platero llamado Demetrio se enfadó.

Demetrio: No me gusta este hombre Pablo ni un poquito!

Narrador 1: Usted ve, Demetrio hizo un montón de dinero vendiendo pequeñas estatuas de plata una diosa llamada Artimes.

Demetrio: Nadie va a comprar mis pequeñas estatuas !

Narrador 2: Así que reunió a sus amigos y compañeros de trabajo.

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Demetrio: Mis amigos!

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Demetrio: Hacemos mucha dinero, ¿no?

Las personas: (Juntos) Oh, sí!

Demetrio: Pero ahora Pablo está diciendo le a la gente que su Dios es el mejor, ¿no?

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Demetrio: Y mucha gente le están creyendo, ¿no?

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Demetrio: Y la gente puede dejar de venir a adorar a nuestra diosa, ¿no?

Personas: (Juntos) Si...

Demetrio: Y podrían dejar de comprar nuestras estatuas de plata!

Las personas: (Juntos) Ajá ... ajá ... vemos lo que quieres decir ...

Narrador 1: Sus amigos están todos molestos y comenzaron a gritar,

Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa! Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa!

Narrador 1: Agarraron a dos de los amigos de Pablo y los llevaron a el estadio.

Narrador 2: Pablo quería calmar las cosas. Pero sus amigos lo detuvieron.

Narrador 1: Pablo dijo: "Déjame entrar ahí! Voy a calmar la gente! "

Narrador 2: Sus amigos dijeron: "No, Pablo! Es demasiado peligroso!

Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa! Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa!

Narrador 1: Algunas personas gritaban una cosa ...

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Persona # 1: UNA COSA!

Narrador 1: Y otros gritaban otra cosa ...

Persona # 2: Boogie, Floogie, ma-googie!

Narrador 1: Me dijeron que estaban gritando algo más.

Persona # 2: Lo sé. Y "boogie, Floogie, ma-googie" es otra cosa!

Narrador 1: Voy a decir De todos modos, la mayoría de la gente de allí ni siquiera sabían lo que estaba pasando!

Las personas: (Juntos) No sabemos lo que está pasando!

Narrador 2: Pero los amigos de Demetrio se mantuvieron a la derecha gritando-

Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa! Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa!

Narrador 1: Toda la ciudad estaba allí. Todos estaban fuera de control.

Narrador 2: Hasta que, por último, un hombre llamado Alejandro subió al escenario-

Personas: (Juntos) Boo! Boo!

Narrador 1: Él levantó la mano para que toda la gente se callara-

Personas: (Juntos) Boo! Boo!

Narrador 2: Pero no funcionó.

Personas: (Juntos) Boo! Boo!

Narrador 1: Porque la gente vio que era un Judío, al igual que Pablo, y ellos siguieron gritando una y otra vez ---

Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa! Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa!

Narrador 1: Esto continuó por dos horas-

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Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es el gran-

Narrador 1: Um, no vamos a hacerlo por dos horas .

Las personas: (Juntos) Ajá ... ajá ... nosotros vemos lo que quieres decir ...

Narrador 2: Por último, una de los líderes de la ciudad calmó toda la gente.

Líder: Calmense ! Cálmese! Permítanme decir algo!

Demetrio: Shhh!

Líder: Todo el mundo sabe que nosotros somos los que cuidan el templo de Artemis-

Personas: (Juntos) Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa! Artemisa de Éfeso es la gran diosa!

Líder: Sí, así que he oído. Pero estos hombres no han robado nada, ¿verdad?

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Líder: No te han robado, ¿no?

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Líder: Ni siquiera se han burlado de nuestra bondad, ¿no?

Las personas: (Juntos) ¡Sí!

Líder: Así que si alguien quiera utilizarlos, llevarla a la corte!

Personas: (Juntos) Lléveselo al juez. Lléveselo al juez!

Líder: ¡Sí! Pero por ahora, toda la gente va a su casa. No tenemos ninguna razón para llevarnos a todos aquí!

Personas: (Juntos) Lléveselo al juez. Lléveselo al juez!

Líder: De acuerdo, ya hemos pasado por eso ... Ahora vete a tu casa! No queremos iniciar una revuelta!

EL ALBOROTO EN EFESO

LECCIÓN DE LA BIBLIA • SATÍRICO (5)

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Narrador 2: Así que, finalmente, toda la gente se fue a casa.

Narrador 1: ¡Menos mal.

Narrador 2: No es broma ... y cuando todo terminó, Pablo animó a los creyentes.

Narrador 1: El dijo, "No se preocupe, Dios está contigo. Él te ama y se hace cargo de ti!

Narrador 2: Ajá ... ajá ... nosotros vemos lo que quieres decir ...

Narrador 1: Pablo dijo adiós a sus amigos.

Narrador 2: A continuación, Pablo fue a otra ciudad para compartir las buenas nuevas de Jesús con ellos.

Todos: (Juntos) El Fin!

Preguntas de Discusión:

- ¿Por qué estaba tan molesto Demetrio?
- ¿Qué estaba tratando de hacer cuando le habló a la multitud de gente?
- ¿Cómo usó Dios el Líder para calmar a la gente?
- ¿Qué hizo Pablo después de que la gente se fue a su casa?

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CRAFT

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OBJECTIVE: WHIMSICAL YARN HEARTS

Make colorful heart mobile

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors, staplers, hole punches

DIRECTIONS

- Draw a large heart on the cardboard
- Draw a smaller heart inside the large heart
- Cut out the hearts so that you have a large heart with an empty center.
- Tape one end of yarn to the heart and begin winding it around the heart. Change colors along the way.
- When yarn is covering entire heart tie or tape the end down
- Tie string or ribbon to the top
- Make several and attach by string (optional)

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Cereal box type cardboard (several per child)
- Yarn of various colors
- String or ribbon
- Tape

EXAMPLE



SIMPLIFIED CRAFT OPTIONS

- Use thick or fluffy yarn for easier coverage of the cardboard
- Use variegated yarn instead of switching yarn colors



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GAME

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OBJECTIVE: QUESTION CONTEST

Listen to the question. Run to the “yes” or “no” chair to score points for your team

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- You will need to find 2 chairs on location
- List of prepared questions

DIRECTIONS

- Divide kids into two equal groups
- Have teams sit in a row on the ground so that the two teams are facing each other about 4 feet apart
- Assign a number to each child, assign the same numbers to each team so that 1's sit across from each other, 2's sit across from each other, etc.
- Place an empty chair on each end of the row of kids, designate one to be the “yes” chair and one to be “no”
- Ask a question that can be answered “yes” or “no” then call out a number.
- Players with the correct number races to the correct chair. First player to sit in the correct chair scores a point for their team.

SAMPLE QUESTIONS

- Did Dimetrius make stone statues?
- Is it good to worship a goddess?
- Is the sky blue?
- Is the bible true?
- Is your hair purple?
- Do books swim?



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