

Persecution in the Early Church

Part One

Read the book of Acts and find an example of the persecution Paul, and the other Christians, faced.

On a piece of 8 ½ x 11 paper visualize the event for us. Include

- Reference (eg. Acts 2: 25-35)
- A summary of the story (told in your own words)
- An important quote from the passage (choose a translation that says it most powerfully)
- Geographical information - city, region (can use a map)
- Timeline information (relative dates)
- Names of people, both persecuted and persecutors
- Message of hope and inspiration (can be quoted verse) - record something that shows that their suffering was not in vain and that God protected them and His glory was revealed.

Arrange items neatly on paper and in a logical and clear fashion.

Part Two

Tell the story of a Christian, not from the book of Acts, who suffered for their faith. Using many of the same requirements as above, tell their story on an 8 ½ x 11 paper.

Resources to use are:

Foxe's Book of Martyrs (our library 270.11B, SC 272.092)

<http://www.ccel.org/f/foxe/martyrs/home.html>

Martyr's Mirror (270.11 H361b) <http://www.homecomers.org/mirror/>

<http://www.persecution.net/>

note: stories cannot be repeated. One story - one group.

Any book that tells the story of a person who has suffered for Christianity.

You will work with a partner.