

When Your Fifteen Minutes Arrives

"The Life of Paul" episode 8

Acts 14:8-18

"Paul shouted, 'Stand up straight on your feet!' Instantly the man leaped up and walked.... The effect on the crowd was electric. They began to jabber in Lycaonian, neither Paul nor Barnabas knew what, only that the entire audience buzzed with an intensely reverential excitement, and some of the young men pushed out of the forum to run in the direction of the Temple of Zeus." Pollock, *The Apostle*

Eventually, everyone gets 15 minutes of fame. That modern proverb was born in a famous quip by Andy Warhol in 1968 ("In the future, everyone will be world-famous for 15 minutes"). Due to technology, the proverb is coming true.

So what will you do when your 15 minutes arrives? It comes without warning. You find yourself being lifted up on stage; the crowds are cheering; beautiful people are clamoring to talk to you; mikes are being put in your face. It's almost like you're Jesus, riding into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday; or Paul, with the town of Lystra at your feet. It's a golden opportunity; you'd better be prepared ahead of time ...

1. Remember _____ you _____. *my identity, 15a*

2. Remember _____ they _____. *my crowd, 15b*

3. Remember _____ you're _____. *my mission, 15c*

4. Remember _____ gets the _____. *my Maker, 15d*