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Paul's Sufferings

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Frequent Imprisonments

Numerous Floggings

Three Shipwrecks

Near-Death Experiences

Constant Travel Dangers


Ongoing Physical Deprivation:

↳ Hunger, Thirst, and Exposure

Emotional Turmoil from Betrayals

Heavy Burdens of Caring for the Churches



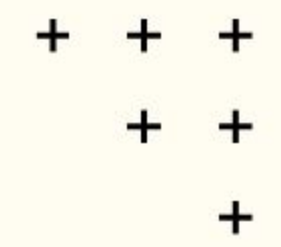


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“And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there.²³ I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me.²⁴ However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace.

ACTS 20:22-24 NIV

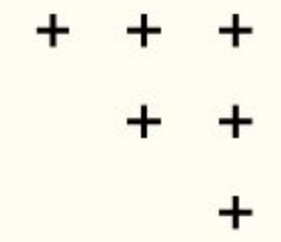


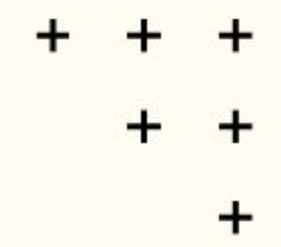
After we had torn ourselves away from them, we put out to sea and sailed straight to Kos. The next day we went to Rhodes and from there to Patara.² We found a ship crossing over to Phoenicia, went on board and set sail.³ After sighting Cyprus and passing to the south of it, we sailed on to Syria. We landed at Tyre, where our ship was to unload its cargo.⁴ We sought out the disciples there and stayed with them seven days. Through the Spirit they urged Paul not to go on to Jerusalem.⁵ When it was time to leave, we left and continued on our way. All of them, including wives and children, accompanied us out of the city, and there on the beach we knelt to pray.⁶ After saying goodbye to each other, we went aboard the ship, and they returned home.⁷ We continued our voyage from Tyre and landed at Ptolemais, where we greeted the brothers and sisters and stayed with them for a day.

ACTS 21:1-7 NIV

Paul's Missionary Journey

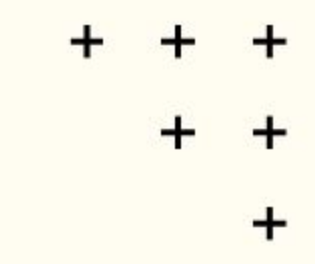
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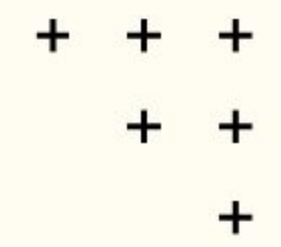
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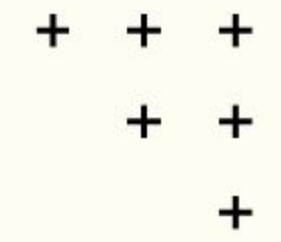
“To live is Christ, but to die is gain.”

PHILIPPIANS 1:21 ESV



**“...my yoke is easy, and
my burden is light.”**

MATTHEW 11:30 NIV



Joy

Peace

Spiritual Rest

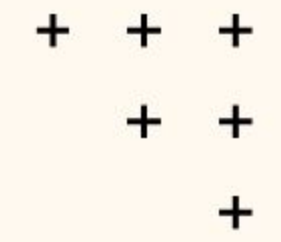
God's Presence

Living Hope

Deep Fellowship with Christ



Different stories, same Savior.



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Hostages of many different nationalities had been by the militants

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Mali hotel attack: 'No more hostages' after special forces raid

20 November 2015

Suspected Islamist gunmen who stormed a hotel in Mali's capital, Bamako, have "no more hostages", officials say.

The Radisson Blu Hotel was stormed by special forces after gunmen entered it and seized 170 people, many of them foreign guests.

Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb and its offshoot Murabitoun said they carried out the attack, according to an agency used by jihadists in the region.

An unnamed UN official has said at least 27 people have been killed.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said 12 bodies were found in the basement and 15 bodies were found on the second floor.

It is not clear if this includes two of the attackers

WORLD

Deaths Confirmed as Gunmen Attack Mali Tourist Resort

At least two people were confirmed dead after gunmen stormed a Western-friendly Mali resort just outside the nation's capital, Bamako, on Sunday evening.



Some of the hostages rescued and wounded

Earlier this month, the US embassy had warned of "possible future attacks on Western diplomatic missions, other locations in Bamako that Westerners frequent".



The US-owned hotel is popular with tourists, businesses and airline crew



Gunmen Take 170 People Hostage in Mali, Africa At least 27 dead in terror attack that lasted for hours in a hotel popular with Westerners.

The deadly hostage situation in Mali is over, hours after gunmen took 170 people, including U.S. citizens, captive at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Mali's capital city of Bamako.



ABC News

Mali has declared a 10-day state of emergency following attack.

Here is a closer look at how the attack, which left at least 27 dead, unfolded.

Gunmen Launch Deadly Attack on Holiday Resort in Mali



Mali Hotel Attack: How The Deadly Hostage Situation Unfolded

Get a closer look at what happened inside the Radisson Blu Hotel.

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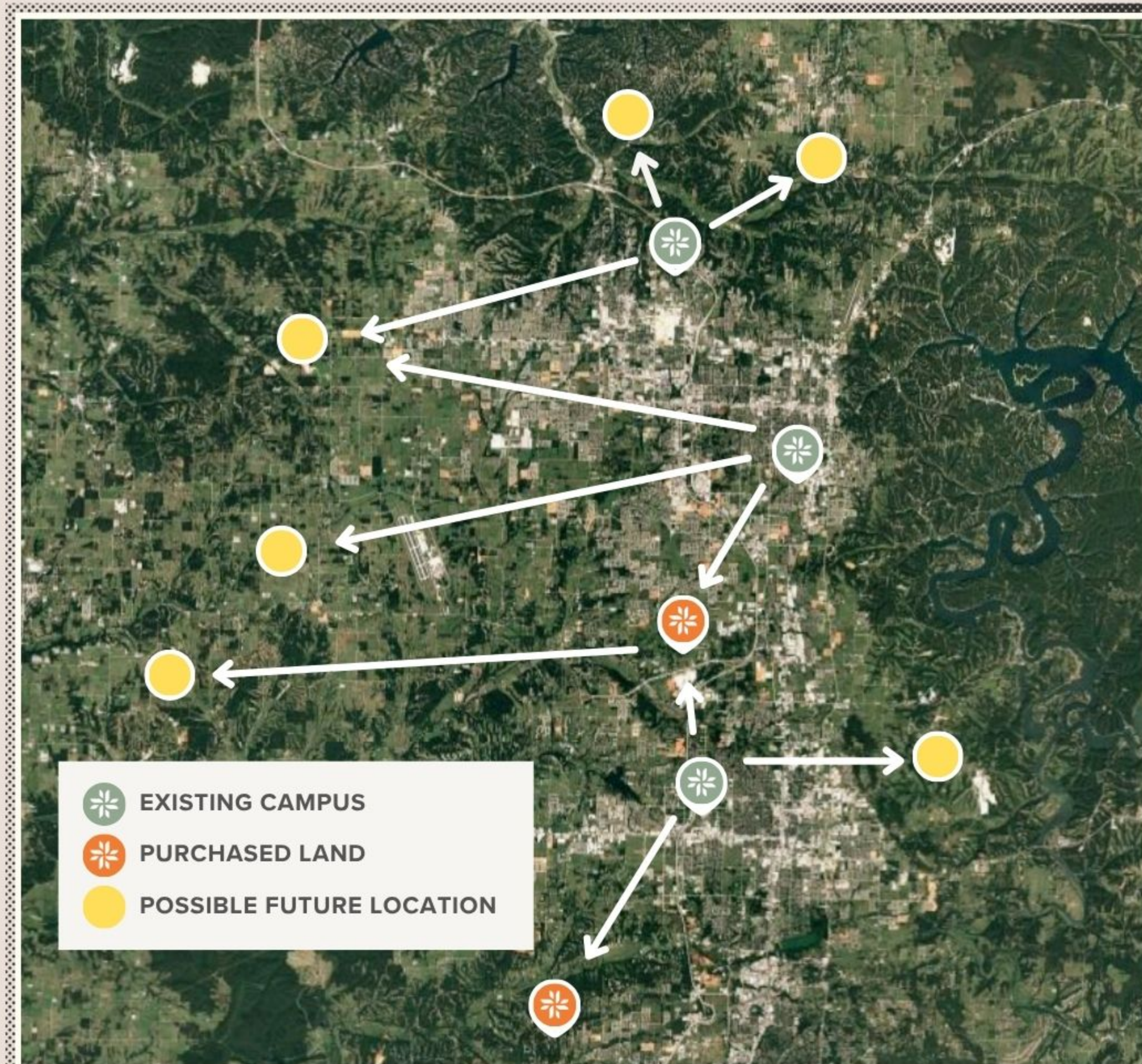
French and Malian troops reportedly killed at least two people, according to Ministry spokesman Baba Cisse. French-Gabonese, and the other nationalities have been confirmed.

"Security forces are in place. Casualties are blocked off and an operation is under way," Reuters. "The situation is under control."

Residents nearby said they hear gunfire and see smoke.



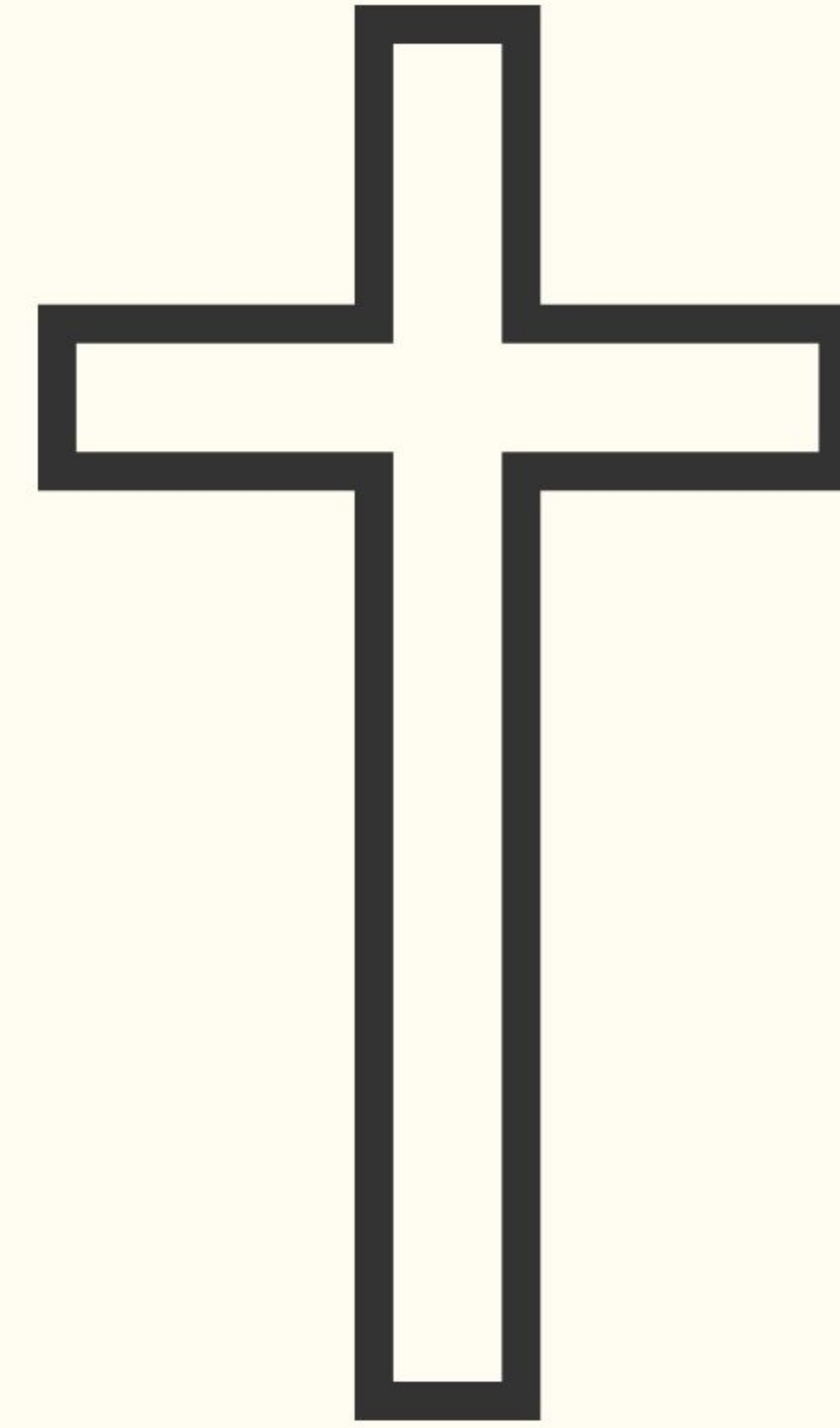
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Sacrifice flows from love.

JOHN 15:13





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