

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

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LESSON 17 ~ The Second Missionary Journey Ends ~ Acts 18:1-23

KEY VERSE

Now the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, 'Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent; for I am with you, and no one will attack you to hurt you; for I have many people in the city.'
(Acts 18:9, 10)

PONDER¹

READ Acts 18:1-23.

WRITE the word, phrase, or verse that spoke to you the most. Explain. _____

PAUL'S MINISTRY AT CORINTH

READ Acts 18:1-17

1. After preaching the Gospel to the idolatrous city of Athens, Paul departed to Corinth.² Who did he meet there (vv. 1-3)?

_____ ³ ⁴

Why were they in Corinth? _____

What did Paul and this couple have in common? _____

LOOK DEEPER

What did Paul write to the churches at Corinth and Philippi concerning how the Lord provided for his needs?

II Corinthians 11:8, 9 _____

¹ PONDER: think about and consider carefully God's spiritual truths as revealed in the Word of God.

² Corinth: political capital of Greece; harbors facing east and west made it the chief market city between Asia and Italy; famous for its licentious worship of Venus.

³ Aquila and Priscilla: Jewish Christian couple who were banished from Rome because of its strong anti-Semitic views.

⁴ Pontus: a province in Northern Asia Minor; modern Turkey; located on the southern shore of the Black Sea.

Philippians 4:10-19 _____

PERSONAL

What do you offer the Lord that is a sweet smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice and well pleasing to God?

2. What did Paul do every Sabbath⁵ in the synagogue in Corinth (Acts 18:4)? _____

LOOK DEEPER

In what manner did Paul address the Corinthians? What was his message for them? _____

PERSONAL

What can you do to persuade the unbelieving about Jesus Christ? _____

⁵ Sabbath: Jews day of rest and worship instituted by God (see Genesis and Exodus, Ten Commandments).

3. What was Paul compelled by the Holy Spirit to do when Silas and Timothy came from Macedonia⁶ (v. 5)?

4. What was Paul led to do after the Jews opposed him for preaching that Jesus is the Christ (v. 6)?

5. Paul went to the house of Justus⁷. Who was he (vv. 7, 8)? _____

What wonderful ministry took place? _____

6. How did the Lord encourage Paul in extending the Gospel to the Gentiles (vv. 9-11)? _____

What did Paul do there for one year and six months? _____

7. What false accusation did the Jews make up about Paul (vv. 12, 13)? _____

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8. How did the proconsul defend Paul (vv. 14-16)? _____

9. What did the Greeks do to Sosthenes (v. 17)? _____

⁶ Macedonia: region on the Aegean Sea; Europe; major cities such as: Thessalonica, Philippi, and Berea are located there.

⁷ Justus: Titius Justus; may have been Gaius, Pauls host (see Romans 16:23, I Corinthians 1:14).

⁸ Gallio: proconsul of Achaia, the whole of Greece.

PAUL RETURNS TO ANTIOCH

READ Acts 18:18-23.

1. After remaining with the brethren at Corinth for sometime, who joined Paul as he continued his missionary journey to Syria (v. 18)?

What did he do to confirm his vow⁹ to the Lord? _____ ¹⁰

2. What did he do in Ephesus (vv. 19-21)? _____

Why didn't he stay longer? _____

_____ ¹¹

3. Ending his second missionary journey, what did Paul immediately do (vv. 22, 23)? _____

PERSONAL

How can you persevere in giving out the Word of God to those in your Jerusalem (immediate family members), Judea and Samaria (friends and co-workers), and those in the uttermost parts (people of the world)?

WRITE out the KEY VERSE. _____

⁹ vow: the Nazarite vow. A vow taken by a person who chose to separate from certain worldly things and consecrate himself to God; he would abstain from the fruit of the vine, not touch the dead nor cut his hair.

¹⁰ Cenchrea: seaport town in Greece about seven miles east of Corinth.

¹¹ feast in Jerusalem: a joyful occasion celebrated by the Jews for the purpose of fellowship and worship. May have been the feast of the Passover.

*And they continued steadfastly
in the Apostles Doctrine and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.*
Acts 2:42

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