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**Sharing Jesus In A Sexually Immoral Culture**

**ACTS 18**

**Key truth:** The gospel shines the brightest in the midst of darkness. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

1. We all need gospel companions like Aquila and

 Priscilla.

 A. They showed him hospitality.

 B. They were faithful friends who

 encouraged him throughout his ministry.

2. We need to leverage our vocations in order to

 have gospel conversations.

 A. Your vocation can be your platform to share the

 gospel.

 1) Be wise and humble.

3. We all need spiritual encouragement from the Lord.

 A. Discouragement is real in the life of a minister.

 B. Longevity is needed for fruitful ministry.

4. We are all called to make disciples and to

 continually be discipled.

 A. Apollos was humble.

 B. Apollos was teachable.

 C. Apollos was courageous.

**Taking It Beyond the Walls:** Be committed to sharing the gospel with others.

**CONNECTION GROUP HOMEWORK**

Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Why do you think Luke included this reference to Paul’s staying with Aquila and Priscilla and working with them as a tentmaker? What do we learn about Paul’s ministry approach from these details?

How could your present job be “tent-making” to support yourself and your family while you engage in God’s kingdom work? What would be the advantages and disadvantages of Paul’s self-supporting approach in Corinth for mission funding today?

What was it about a synagogue that provided Paul a good starting place for sharing the gospel? How was he being faithful to the vision and call he received on the road to Damascus?

Look carefully at verses 9-10. What do you think the Lord meant by saying to Paul, “I have many people in this city”? How would the Lord’s words in these verses be an encouragement to Paul to keep on sharing the gospel whenever and wherever he could?

Read ACTS 18:24-28: Why do think Apollos was open to receive correction from Aquila and Priscilla? How do you respond when corrected?

What is your biggest hindrance to sharing the gospel with others, and why do you think that is? How does Paul’s journey encourage you?