

Teamwork in Ministry

Acts 18:18-28

A. Travel Time. 18:18-22

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2. Paul had a haircut (vow) at Cenchrea.
3. They arrived at Ephesus. 19-21
 - a. He left Priscilla and Aquila there. 19
 - b. He taught in the synagogue.
 - c. He couldn't stay. 20
 - d. He set sail. 21
4. At Caesarea, he greeted the church. 22
5. He went to Antioch (in Syria).
6. He spent time there. 23
7. Application
 - a. In the Providence of God, Christians move from one place to another.
 - b. The Christian has his reason for moving.
 - c. God has His own reasons for the move.
 - d. God is able to take the decisions Christians make and use them for His big plan.
 - e. Paul had left his fellow tent-makers, Priscilla and Aquila, in Ephesus.
 - f. Was that a coincidence or a God-send?
 - g. Paul said he would visit the Ephesians again if God willed it (18:21).
 - h. Our plans are subject to the will of God.

B. Third Missionary Trip. 18:23

1. Paul passed through Galatia and Phrygia.
2. He strengthened the disciples.
3. Jim Elam's plan.
4. What is your plan
 - a. To tell people about Jesus?
 - b. To strengthen other believers?

C. Help for Apollos. 18:24-28

1. Apollos arrived in Ephesus. 24a
 - a. Coincidence?
 - b. Or a "God-thing?"
2. The potential of Apollos. 24b-25
 - a. Eloquent. 24b
 - b. Knowledge of Scripture
 - c. Preliminary understanding of Jesus. 25
 - d. Great zeal
 - e. Active in teaching
 - f. His limitation
3. The boldness of Apollos. 26
4. The input of Priscilla and Aquila.
 - a. God can use ordinary Christians to help gifted Christians.
 - b. God puts people in the right place so He can use them to help the right people.
5. The desire of Apollos: to go to Achaia 27a
6. The support of the Ephesian brothers. 27b
 - a. Sometimes God places a special yearning in our hearts to serve Him in a special capacity.
 - b. If this desire is from Him, He will open up a door.
7. The ministry of Apollos in Achaia. 27c-28
 - a. His help of believers. 27c
 - b. His effective debate with unbelieving Jews. 28
 - c. His proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

D. Teamwork in Ministry – in a Nutshell

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2. When you move, expect to find another Christian you can help, or who can help you.
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