

The Acts of the Apostles II
The Completion of the Second Journey
Acts 18:1-28

- I. PAUL'S MINISTRY IN CORINTH (Acts 18:1-3)
 - A. The Meeting of Aquila and Priscilla (Acts 18:1-3)
 - i. The place of meeting (Acts 18:1; 2 Corinthians 1:1)
 - ii. The occasion (Acts 18:2)
 - iii. Their occupation (Acts 18:3; see Romans 16:3-5)
 - B. The Ministry to the Jews (Acts 18:4-6)
 - i. Teaching in the synagogue (Acts 18:4; Acts 17:1-2)
 - ii. Testifying that Jesus was Christ (Acts 18:5; Acts 17:3)
 - iii. Turning instead to the Gentiles (Acts 18:6; Acts 13:46; Acts 28:28) – the blood on their heads (see Acts 20:26)
 - C. Much People in the City (Acts 18:7-11)
 - i. The house of Justus (Acts 18:7)
 - ii. The house Crispus (Acts 18:8; 1 Corinthians 1:14)
 - 1. They heard
 - 2. They believed
 - 3. They were baptized (Matthew 28:19-20)
 - iii. The vision by night (Acts 18:9-10)
 - 1. Be not afraid (Acts 18:9; Josh 1:9)
 - 2. Hold not thy peace (Acts 18:9; Ephesians 6:19-20)
 - 3. I am with thee (Acts 18:10; Hebrews 13:5)
 - 4. No man shall hurt thee (Acts 18:10; Isaiah 54:17)
 - 5. I have much people (Acts 18:10; 1 Kings 19:18)
 - iv. The teaching of the word (Acts 18:11; Acts 19:9-10; Acts 20:31)
 - D. Mob Control by Gallio (Acts 18:12-17)
 - i. Jewish accusations against Paul (Acts 18:12-13)
 - ii. Gallio's refusal to hear their case (Acts 18:14-16)
 - iii. Gentile beating of the Jewish ruler (Acts 18:17; 1 Corinthians 1:1)

II. PAUL'S RETURN TRIP TO ANTIOCH (Acts 18:18-28)

A. The Return to Antioch (Acts 18:18-23)

i. From Cenchrea (Acts 18:18)

1. With Aquilla and Priscilla
2. Having a vow (cp. Acts 21:23-26)
3. Note: The Nazarite Vow
 - a. The separation (Numbers 6:1-6)
 - b. The fulfillment (Numbers 6:13, 18)

ii. To Ephesus (Acts 18:19-21)

1. Leaving Aquilla and Priscilla (Acts 18:19)
2. Preaching in the synagogue (Acts 18:19)
3. Bidding farewell (Acts 18:20-21)

– if God will (Romans 1:10; Romans 15:32; 1 Corinthians 4:19)

iii. At Caesarea (Acts 19:22)

iv. In Jerusalem (Acts 19:22)

v. To Antioch (Acts 19:22-23; Acts 14:26-28)

vi. Back to Galatia and Phrygia (Acts 19:23)

1. In order
2. To strengthen

B. The Recruitment of Apollos (Acts 18:24-28)

i. His character (Acts 18:24)

1. An Alexandrian Jew (Acts 6:9)
2. An eloquent man
3. Mighty in the scriptures

ii. His conduct (Acts 18:25)

1. Fervent in the spirit
2. Teaching the things of the Lord
3. Knowing only John's baptism (Matthew 3:11)

– John's Baptism

a. A baptism of repentance (Matthew 3:1-2, 7-8)

1. Having "fruits *meet* for repentance"

- b. A baptism unto the remission of sins (Mark 1:4; Luke 3:3)
- John's Sending (John 1:6)
 - a. To prepare the ways of the Lord (Luke 1:76)
 - 1. To make ready a people prepared for the Lord (Luke 1:17)
 - 2. To prepare the way of the Lord (Luke 3:3-5; Isaiah 40:3-5)
 - a. Importance of preparation (Proverbs 24:27; Proverbs 30:25)
 - b. To give knowledge of salvation (Luke 1:77-78)
 - 1. By the remission of their sins (Luke 1:77)
 - a. A dispensational work to bring the Jews ("his people") to a readiness to receive their Messiah.
 - b. A reminder to us that repentance is an important part of our salvation (Acts 20:21; 2 Corinthians 7:10; 2 Timothy 2:25)
- iii. His correction (Acts 18:26)
 - 1. Taught by Aquilla and Priscilla
 - 2. Learning the way of God more perfectly
- iv. His contribution (Acts 18:27-28)
 - 1. Comforting believers (Acts 18:27; 1 Corinthians 3:5-6)
 - 2. Convincing Jews (Acts 18:28)