



Power From on High

Series: Power From On High
Title: Saints in Transition, Part 2
Lesson: 97

Text: Acts 18:23-28
Date: March 2, 2025

Pericope - A set of verses that that forms one coherent unit of thought.

In Acts 18:18-19:7 the unifying thought is “**transition.**”

People caught between the two testaments:

Paul - 18:18-22

Apollos - 18:23-28

John's 12 disciples - 19:1-7

Acts 18:23–28 And having spent some time there, he left and passed successively through the Galatian region and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples. 24 Now a Jew named Apollos, an Alexandrian by birth, an eloquent man, came to Ephesus; and he was mighty in the Scriptures. 25 This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately the things concerning Jesus, being acquainted only with the baptism of John; 26 and he began to speak out boldly in the synagogue. But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. 27 And when he wanted to go across to Achaia, the brethren encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him;

and when he had arrived, he greatly helped those who had believed through grace, 28 for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, demonstrating by the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ.

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“Jew”

“Apollos” - Destroyer

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“Alexandrian”

“eloquent”

“mighty in the Scriptures”

“instructed in the way of the Lord”

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“instructed” - [katēcheō] - Catechism

“fervent in spirit”

“accurately the things concerning Jesus”

“accurately” [*akribōs*] -

“being acquainted only with the baptism of John”

Acts 1:4–5 Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, “Which,” He said, “you heard of from Me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

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“boldly”

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The virtues of Priscilla & Aquila

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"Priscilla and Aquila"

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“Jesus was the Christ” (Savior)

Implications

Four qualities that characterize effective preaching and teaching.

**1. An accurate and through _____
of the whole counsel of God.**

**2. A _____ and
_____ spirit.**

**3. Preaching that displays _____
from a deep rooted conviction that God's Word is true.**

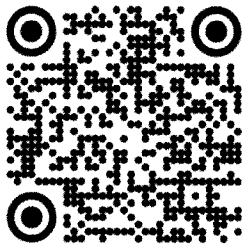
4. Skilled _____

Discussion Guide

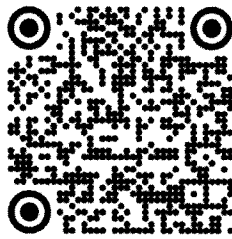
1. Where do you see the blessing of discipleship in our passage and how did it come about?

Who has or is discipling you at the moment?
Who are you discipling?

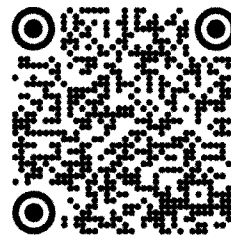
2. If you were advising someone what to look for in a Pastor, what would you say? Share in your own words what they should expect from the pulpit.
3. Was it okay for Priscilla to lead the discussion?
Read 1 Timothy 2:12-15 and discuss why God does not allow women to teach men.
4. What point in the sermon do you believe was the most important and why?



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ANSWERS: Bereans, honoring, respectful, humble, teachable, approachable, knowledge, humble, teachable, passion, apologists