

STUDYING THE BOOK OF ACTS
IN SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Lesson 48 – In Corinth - [Acts 18:1-17](#)

Read the following verses in the Last Days Bible or a translation of your choice. Then discuss the questions that follow. Questions should be studied by each individual before your discussion group meets.

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In Corinth

1⁸Then Paul left Athens and went to Corinth.

²There he met a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, (because Emperor Claudius had demanded that all Jews leave Rome). Paul went to visit them.

³And because they worked at the same trade, making tents, he stayed and worked with them.

⁴But every Sabbath, he was in the synagogue, reasoning with both Jews and Greeks, doing his best to convince them of the truth.

⁵When Silas and Timothy arrived from northern Greece, Paul felt compelled by the Holy Spirit to spend all his time in telling the Jews that Jesus is indeed the Messiah.

⁶But when they continued to firmly oppose him with abusive language and cursing, he finally shook the dust from his coat and said, “Your fate is now in your own hands! I am no longer responsible for you. From now on I will teach the Gentiles.”

⁷So he left the synagogue and went right next door to the home of *a godly man named Justus*, a worshiper of God, whose house was next to the synagogue.

⁸And Crispus, the president of the synagogue, together with everyone in his family, believed in the Lord. And many other people in Corinth who heard the Great News also believed and were baptized.

⁹One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision. “Don’t be afraid,” He said. “Keep on speaking out! Don’t be quiet!”

¹⁰“Because I am with you, and no one will attack or harm you here. Many people in this city belong to Me.”

¹¹So he stayed there and continued teaching God’s truths to them for a year and a half.

¹²But when Gallio was appointed governor of southern Greece, the Jews rose up in a united front against Paul and brought him to court.

13“This man is persuading our people to worship God in ways that are against our Law,” they charged.

14When Paul was about to answer this charge, Gallio said, “Listen, you Jews, if it were a matter of some wrongdoing or serious crime, there would be good reason for me to listen to you.

15“But if you’re bickering about words and names relating to your own law, settle those matters yourselves. I flatly refuse to be a judge in such matters.”

16Then he ordered that they be thrown out of the courtroom.

17At this point, all the Greeks grabbed hold of Sosthenes, the president of the synagogue, and beat him up right in front of the judge’s bench. But Gallio did nothing, and had no concern about such matters.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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719. Where did Paul go after leaving Athens? ([18:1](#))
720. With what Jewish couple did Paul meet? ([18:2](#))
721. What did Paul have in common with Aquila and Priscilla? ([18:3](#))
722. What did Paul do every Sabbath in Corinth? ([18:4](#))
723. What did Paul spend his time doing when Silas and Timothy arrived? ([18:5](#))
724. Why was Paul able to stop tentmaking when his friends arrived from Macedonia? ([18:5](#))
725. When the Jews opposed Paul, how did he react? ([18:6](#))
726. In Corinth, why did Paul turn to the Gentiles? ([18:6-7](#))
727. Who believed in the Lord? ([18:8](#))
728. What prompted Paul’s vision of the Lord? ([18:9-11](#))
729. Why was Paul brought to court? ([18:12-13](#))
730. What crucial decision did Gallio make? ([18:14-16](#))
731. Why did the crowd attack Sosthenes? ([18:17](#))
732. Why didn’t Gallio intervene in the attack against Sosthenes? ([18:17](#))

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Paul's Return to Antioch

¹⁸Paul stayed in Corinth for quite some time after that, but he finally said good-bye to the Lord's followers there and sailed with Priscilla and Aquila for Syria. But before sailing, he had his hair cut off at Cenchrea, because of a solemn promise he had made to God.

¹⁹Upon arriving in Ephesus, Paul left Priscilla and Aquila and went into the synagogue and had some serious discussions with the Jews.

²⁰They begged him to stay on longer with them, but he declined.

²¹"I must make every effort to take part in the coming Feast in Jerusalem," he said as he left them. "But I will return to you again, if God is willing." Then he sailed from Ephesus.

²²After landing at Caesarea, he went up to Jerusalem and had fellowship with the Lord's followers there, and then went on to Antioch.

²³After spending some time there, he left again for the region of Galatia and Phrygia, traveling successively from place to place, strengthening all the followers.

The Ministry of Apollos

²⁴About this time, a Jew named Apollos, who had grown up in Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was an eloquent speaker, with outstanding knowledge of the Scriptures.

²⁵He had been taught the various truths about the Lord, and, with great enthusiasm, he accurately told the people about the Lord Jesus. But all he knew about baptism was what John had taught.

²⁶So he began to speak out boldly in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him more accurately the Way of God.

²⁷When he decided to go across into southern Greece, the Lord's followers wrote the followers there to welcome and encourage him. And upon arriving, he was enabled by God to greatly help those who had believed and accepted God's great kindness.

²⁸Because in front of everyone he continued to powerfully overthrow the arguments of the Jewish leaders, conclusively proving from the Scriptures that Jesus is indeed the Messiah.

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733. After Paul's extended stay in Corinth, where did he go next? ([18:18](#))
734. What did Paul do before he sailed for Syria? Why? ([18:18](#))
735. What did Paul do at Ephesus? ([18:19](#))
736. Whom did Paul leave behind in Ephesus? ([18:19](#))
737. What promise did Paul make to the Jews? ([18:19-21](#))
738. After greeting the church at Caesarea, what places did Paul visit? ([18:22-23](#))
739. Who was Apollos? ([18:24](#))
740. How did Apollos put his gifts and knowledge to good use? ([18:24-26](#))
741. How did Apollos serve God with his skills and abilities? ([18:24-26](#))
742. How did Priscilla and Aquila help Apollos become a more effective missionary? ([18:26](#))
743. How did Apollos serve God in Achaia? ([18:27-28](#))
744. How did God use Apollos in Achaia? ([18:27-28](#))
745. What approach did Apollos use in defending the Christian faith? ([18:28](#))