



# Body Building!

Date: September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Text: Acts 18:18-28

**Passage Summary:** As we seek to carry out our ministry of the gospel in fulfillment of the Great Commission, it is essential that we discover God's \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ!

**180 Degree Truth #1:** See that God's design for the body of Christ is to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ one another for a lifetime of ministry! (18:18-28)

**Application:** Recognize that when it comes to equipping and empowering the body of Christ for a lifetime of ministry, it involves a heart that is...

- \_\_\_\_\_ minded! (v.18-23)

**Priscilla and Aquila were tentmakers making a difference: They were...**

\_\_\_\_\_ : Willing to go anywhere God would call them to go! (v.18)

\_\_\_\_\_ : Willing to disciple others as God gave them opportunity! (v.26)

**Remember:** When it comes to equipping and empowering the body of Christ for a lifetime of ministry, it is not about your \_\_\_\_\_, but about your \_\_\_\_\_!

- All \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_! (v.24-28)

**Apollos was...**

\_\_\_\_\_ : He had been instructed in the way of the Lord! (v.24)

\_\_\_\_\_ : He spoke with great fervor! (v.25)

\_\_\_\_\_ : He taught about Jesus accurately! (v.25)

\_\_\_\_\_ : He allowed Aquila and Priscilla to explain the way of God more adequately to him! (v.26)

\_\_\_\_\_ : He took bold steps to serve, and had the support of the body of Christ to do so! (v.27-28)

**Remember:** When it comes to equipping and empowering the body of Christ for a lifetime of ministry, the \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ for the heart that has been touched and transformed by the sacrificial love demonstrated by Jesus on the cross!

**Core Conviction to Live By:** Resolutely determine that when it comes to equipping and empowering the body of Christ for a lifetime of ministry, don't try to be \_\_\_\_\_ that you are not; instead, be \_\_\_\_\_ to the manner in which God has gifted and called you, and watch God build a body and expand the influence of the gospel right before your eyes!

*"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."*

**Ephesians 4:11-13**