



Oakwood
CHURCH

May 16 Discussion Questions
“On Mission Together”
Acts 18:1-11

Preview

1. God **PREPARES** ordinary people to team together on His mission (v.1-4)
 - Through difficult circumstances
 - By placing you on a team
 - By opening up new relationships

2. When we **EMBRACE** our mission to work as a team, God opens up new opportunities (v.18-21)
 - Your past has uniquely shaped you
 - Put into practice what you have already learned

3. When we **STAY** on mission, God produces extraordinary results (v.24-28)
 - Stay committed to truth
 - Confront error with humility
 - Obedience results in greater fruit

Connect

1. What is a team that you've worked really well with in the past? Why do you think it worked as well as it did?
2. Why do you think other teams fail to work well together?

Pray & Read Acts 18:1-11

Discuss & Apply

3. How did Paul encounter Aquila and Priscilla? What did they share in common?
4. Consider those you share an affinity with. Why do you believe God has placed you around those people? Are you as intentional as you feel you should be in bringing the Gospel to them?
5. What is an affinity, interest, or hobby of yours that God could use to connect you to others? Is this just an idea or could it become a feasible plan in your life?
6. What difficulty did Paul face in v.6? What did this discouraging setback prepare for him?
7. Despite God's heart to reach the Gentiles, Paul was passionately disappointed by the hard-heartedness of his own people (see Romans 9:1-3!). How did God encourage Paul in the midst of his discouragement with the Jews? In what way is it comforting that God says He has other people in the city who are His people?
8. How has God more recently encouraged you in the midst of your discouragement?
9. Paul decided to bring Priscilla and Aquila with him on his next missionary adventure in v.18. What do you think Paul admired about them? What qualities do you look for in good teammates?
10. What made Apollos in v.24-25 both a blessing and a risk for the church? How did Priscilla and Aquila help him?
11. Do you tend to address the faults and missteps of those you associate with, or do you try to ignore them? When does their misstep become a legitimate issue? How can you handle the issue in a grace-filled, yet truthful manner?
12. Is there an issue worth addressing with someone you associate with right now? How can we pray for you in this challenging conversation?
13. What is your key takeaway from this passage? How is God challenging you?

Prayer

Pray for God to increase the love and fruitfulness of the teams you work on. Pray also for God to show you how you can best benefit the teams you serve with.

Oakwood Prayer Focus

Ministry Focus: Pray for our elders and deacons as they prepare the budget for next fiscal year and recruit additional elders and deacons.

Personal Focus: Pray how you may get involved with team ministry at Oakwood.