

Acts^{vol. 5} THE CHURCH EXPANDING



Corresponds to the March 5, 2023 sermon

Acts 18:1-17

Big Idea: As followers of Jesus, we are called into a bigger story and purpose.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Read the following Scriptures together and then use the questions below (or any you wish to add) to discuss the text and unpack its meaning.



Have someone in your group read **Acts 18:1-17**

- As you read this section of the bible what characters are you familiar with? What do you know about them?
- How would you characterize the city of Corinth? Where do you find similarities to our modern culture?
- What does this passage tell us about God, His Character, and His purpose?
- What does this passage tell you about us and our need and purpose?



GETTING PRACTICAL

1. What about today's scripture or message most stood out to you?
2. One of the quotes in this week's message came from Dr Martyn Lloyd-Jones. What about this statement do you agree with or disagree with?
 - i. *'There is no grosser or greater misrepresentation of the Christian message than that which depicts it as offering a life of ease with no battle and struggle at all... sooner or later every believer discovers that the Christian life is a battleground, not a playground.'*
3. Do you think opposition occurs when we are living our life faithfully? Why do you think that is true or untrue?
4. Do you think God has a plan for the city or community you reside in? How does he fulfill that plan? What is your role in it?
5. When there is opposition to your faith how can you react?

