

INTRODUCTION

- * In 2 Timothy 2:1-2 Paul revealed the process of functional discipleship to Timothy: ¹ "You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ² And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."
- * In today's passage, we see that philosophy, or process, of discipleship being demonstrated by, and through, Paul himself.
- * This portion is a transitional passage taking us from Paul's second "missionary journey" into his next cycle of visits to the churches.
- * Through this passage, we see various individuals - who being part of the discipleship process - grasp the concept of ministry not as a profession but as a lifestyle.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE MINISTRY OF PAUL (18: 18-23; 19:1-7)**

- A. To _____** 1. THEY FOLLOWED HIM 2. HE LEFT THEM – TO SERVE THE LORD
- B. To _____** 1. HE TAUGHT (dialegomai) THEM 2. THEY WANTED HIM TO STAY - HE DECLINED
- C. To _____**
1. THE PR _____ OF THE VOW
 - a. The I _____ of the Vow (cf. Num 6: 1-21)
 - b. The M _____ of the Vow
 2. THE PR _____ OF THE VOW (v. 13ff)
 - a. The P _____ of its Completion
 - b. The P _____ of its Completion (cf. Acts 18:18; Num 6:18)
- D. To _____**
- E. To _____**
1. THEIR I _____
 2. THEIR I _____
 3. THEIR I _____
 4. THEIR I _____

II. THE MINISTRY OF AQUILA AND PRISCILLA (18: 18-28)

- A. At the Synagogue**
- B. With Apollos**
- C. With the Body of Believers** (cf. 1 Corinthians 16: 19)

III. THE MINISTRY OF APOLLOS (18: 24 – 19: 1)

- A. His H _____ (v. 24)**
- B. His S _____ (v. 24)**
- C. His F _____ (v. 25)**
- D. His K _____ (v. 25)**
- E. His T _____ (v. 26)**
- F. His D _____ (v. 27)**
- G. His D _____ (v. 28)**

INTROSPECTION

- * What is your goal in life? ... Is it Kingdom oriented?
- * Are you desiring to be in a discipleship relationship - being disciplined and discipling others?
- * Are you using the abilities and gifts that God has given you to minister to and for Him?
- * How faithful are you to performing that which you have stated you would do?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * How can we as a church better facilitate those within the body using their gifts to minister to one another and to the Lord?