

**Series "The Acts Of God"**  
**"The Missing Ingredient"**  
**Acts 18:18-19:7**  
**Study-34**

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There is nothing more powerful than the Word of God and at the same time, more neglected than the Word of God, and least depended upon than the Word of God.

**1. The Power of the Word preached through Paul**

**2. The Power of the Word to bring Correction**

**3. The Power of the Word to bring Conversion**

**1. Verses 18-23 – The Word And Paul's Ministry**

**2. Verses 24-28 – The Word Of Correction**

**3. Verses 1-7 – The Word Of Conversion**

**1. Verses 18-23 – The Word And Paul's Ministry:**

Acts 18:18

Num. 6:1-21

Acts 18:19

Ephesus – Literally "Desirable"

1. It was the chief city of the Roman province of Asia
2. City of culture, art and philosophers
3. Olympic Games
4. Great Trade Center: Seaport; River – Cayster, which flowed West into the Aegean Sea; Main roads convened there to the known world
5. A free city – with its own Senate and Assembly

Temple Diana – one of the 7 Wonders of the World

Statue of Artemis –

"reasoned" – "to say thoroughly, discuss, preach (unto), reason (with), speak."

Acts 18:20

Acts 16:6

Acts 18:21

(KJV) "But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem."

1 Cor. 9:22

Acts 19:1

Acts 18:22-23

Paul 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary Journey, Acts 18:23-Acts 21:14

## **2. Verses 24-28 – The Word Of Correction:**

Acts 18:24

Apollos – 1 Cor. 3:4

5 Things recorded about Apollos:

#1 "an eloquent man," – literally, "to be learned in knowledge and the ability to express it."

#2 he was "mighty in the Scriptures."

Acts 18:25

#3 "This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord;"

#4 "and being fervent in spirit," – "With energy and conviction, boiling over, on fire, from the heart"

#5 "he was speaking and teaching accurately the things concerning Jesus,"

Acts 18:26

Religion is not Enough! – "and explained to him the way of God more accurately."

This Way of God More Accurately: (Essentials of The Faith)

Apollos was teachable; A man Sitting at the Feet of Tentmakers and humbly receiving instruction:

Acts 18:27-28

### **3. Verses 1-7 – The Word Of Conversion:**

Acts 19:1

1 Corinthians 3:4-7

Acts 20:31

Discipleship does not always denote a true believer.

Acts 19:2

Holy Spirit is the indispensable proof that a person is truly born again: Rom. 8:9, 16; 1 John 5:9-13, you receive the Spirit when you believe on Jesus Christ Eph. 1:13.

God's pattern for today: "Hear the Word, Believe, Receive the Spirit, Receive water baptism."

Acts 19:3

You can only be saved through the right message.

Acts 19:4-5

Only place in scripture where a person is Re-Baptized.

Acts 19:6

#### **Application:**

There are 3 kinds of people in the Church:

1. Non-Christians, Followers of John – have not received Jesus Christ, have not the Holy Spirit. Have an intellectual belief but not saving. Need to be teachable and willing to repent. Learning and having fervor is not enough.
2. Committed Christians – Need to keep on believing and allowing the Spirit of God to flow through them.

Encouragement: God uses different Christians: Paul, Priscilla and Aquila, Apollos.

3. Christians that used to Believe – Need to come back; Revelation 2:4-5