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Message Series
"Acts: 20/20 Vision for the Church"

"Better Together"

Acts 18:1-11

¹After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ²And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. And he went to see them, ³and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them and worked, for they were tentmakers by trade. ⁴And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and Greeks. ⁵When Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia, Paul was occupied with the word, testifying to the Jews that the Christ was Jesus. ⁶And when they opposed and reviled him, he shook out his garments and said to them, "Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." ⁷And he left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God. His house was next door to the synagogue. ⁸Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in the Lord, together with his entire household. And many of the Corinthians hearing Paul believed and were baptized. ⁹And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, ¹⁰for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people." ¹¹And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

One word to describe New Testament community & mission

The advantages of being together

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Better Together

(Four truths about our connection with one another)

1.

"Paul....Aquila...Priscilla...Silas...Timothy...Titius Justice...Crispus" (v.1-8)

Key application:

2.

"After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscila, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. And he went to see them..." (v. 2)

Key application:

3.

"And he went to see them...he stayed with them and worked..." (vs. 2-3)

*Priscila and Aquilla [Acts 18, Romans 16:3-5, 1 Corinthians 16:19, 2 Timothy 4:19]

"(Apollos) began to speak boldly in the synagogue, but when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately." (Acts 18:26)

Key application:

4.

"And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people.'" (vs. 9-10)

Key application: