

## **S.G. Study Guide: *To the End of the Earth.* Acts 18:1-17**

**Opening Thought:** After learning just a bit about Corinth, what parallels exist between Corinth and America? Discuss

### **1. Corinth: *Paul continues to build a community to reach a community.* (Acts 18:1)**

- What was the difference between Athens and Corinth?
- How did Corinth gain its wealth, influence and cosmopolitan culture?
- Who was Aphrodite? What do we know about this cult in Corinth? Is this comparable to our culture today, if so how?
- Who were Aquila and Priscilla? How were they a blessing to Paul?
- What was Paul's experience w/ the synagogue in Corinth? What does it mean that they "opposed" Paul? How did Paul respond?

### **2. Corinth: *The gospel produces belief and baptism.* (Acts 18:7-11)**

- Who was Titius Justus? What did he do for Paul? Who might he have been? (Romans 16:23; 1 Cor. 1:14)
- Who was Crispus? How was this a big deal in Corinth?
- What are at least 3 ways Paul received encouragement from God via a vision?
- What is the importance of God telling Paul that he needed to be bold and preach to "HIS PEOPLE"?

### **3. Corinth: *God gives favor to the faithful.* (Acts 18:12-17)**

- How did the Jews attack Paul? (vv.12-13)
- The debate was that Christianity was either a sect of Judaism or a new religion. How would you explain this? Can you think of examples of how Jesus addressed this?
- How did God extend favor to Paul through Gallio?
- What was the terrible response of the Jews to Gallio's decision? Compare to modern examples of legalism. Who was Sosthenes? Who is he later? (1 Cor. 1:1)
- How does Isaiah 40:29-31 define Paul in Athens/Corinth?