"One Of Your Greatest Evangelistic Treasures" Acts 18 August 20-27, 2023 Pastor Bear Clifton

We're in Paul's "school of evangelism".

In chapter 16, we learned 5 ways Jesus helps us:

- He satisfies our longing for God (Lydia)
- He delivers us from evil (slave girl delivered from demon)
- He helps us when life is hard (Paul, Silas)
- Helps gives us hope when life is meaningless (Jailer)
- He gives us a family

In chapter 17, we learned 4 evangelistic styles to adopt:

- Reason with people like a philosopher
- Explain it like a teacher
- Prove it to people like a lawyer
- Proclaim it like a preacher



In Chapter 18 We Explore 3 Places To Live Out Our Faith

I. We should live out our faith in the <u>WORKPLACE</u>. (vss.1-4) A. Did you know Paul "went to work"? Doing what? He was a tentmaker.

> B. Does this mean we shouldn't have full-time clergy? Paul was a pioneer. So the churches he planted didn't yet have resources to fully support staff. But he taught elsewhere that a full-time pastor/preacher should receive his support from the church.

C. Tips For Evangelism in the workplace:

- > Be mindful that you're preaching through your <u>ACTIONS</u> first and foremost.
- But we'll have plenty of opportunities to share so <u>SPEAK UP</u> when the chance is given.
- Never forget that you're serving <u>THE LORD</u> in your work before your<u>BOSS</u> (Colossians 3:23-24)

II. We should live out our faith in the <u>MARKETPLACE</u> (vss.5-17).

A. We can't hide from the public square. Some thoughts from Justin Giboney (who's speaking at BW on Nov.5th):

• "Compassion & Conviction" by Justin Giboney will be the next book of the quarter

B. Tips for Evangelism in the marketplace:

- > Don't be afraid of stirring up trouble because <u>YOU WILL!</u>
- But don't shun culture, instead <u>TRANSFORM</u> it by looking for ways to increase God's <u>BEAUTY</u>, <u>GOODNESS AND TRUTH</u>.
- Never forget that God has <u>MANY PEOPLE</u> in our city. Meaning what? We should be encouraged to know that people will respond when they hear the gospel.

Part 2

We should live out our faith in our ______ (vss.24-28).

A. How did Aquila and Priscilla make use of one of their great evangelistic treasures?

B. Bible verses that speak of the home:

Tips for turning	our home into a	lighthouse for Jesus:

	Make sure my home is dedicated to	first.
A	Make sure my home is a place where	happens.
	Be rich in	
	Be a friend and servant to your	
	Strive to make my home a place of	
	Make my home a castle protecting my family from the intrusion of ungodly	
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What are 3 takeaways you're taking away from Acts 18?

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