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# ***PAUL'S MISSION – PART 5***

## ***ACTS 18***

- 1. FIRST, SOME RADICALLY DEVOTED HELPERS ACTS 18:1-5**
  - Every pastor and missionary thanks God for people like Aquila and Priscilla, people with heads, hands, hearts, and homes dedicated to the work of the Lord.
- 2. SECOND, THE BRUTAL OPPOSITION ACTS 18:6-8**
  - Whenever God is blessing a ministry, you can expect increased opposition as well as increased opportunities.

### 3. THE WORD OF ASSURANCE **ACTS 18:9-17**

- Dr. Luke does not give us the details, but I get the impression that between **ACTS 18:8** and **9**, the situation became especially difficult and dangerous.
- It is just like our Lord to speak fearlessness to us when we need Him the most. **ISA. 41:10-11**

### 4. STRIVING TO DO GOD'S WILL **ACTS 18:18-22**

- “*God willing,*” **ACTS 18:21** was more than a religious slogan with Paul; it was one of the strengths of his life and ministry.

## 5. A MAN WITH AN INCOMPLETE MESSAGE **ACTS 18:23-28**

- When Paul departed from Ephesus for Jerusalem, he left his friends Aquila and Priscilla behind to carry on the witness in the synagogue.
- Imagine their surprise one Sabbath to hear a visiting Jewish teacher named Apollos preach many of the truths that they themselves believed and taught!
- He had zeal, but he lacked spiritual knowledge (**ROM. 10:1-4**); *He needed a biblical update.*

Apollos was taught by Aquila and Priscilla. Yes, a woman instructed a man in the Scriptures!

- ***COMPLEMENTARIANISM***

- All we have to do is look at the teaching of the New Testament Gospels and the Book of Acts to find women everywhere, doing all kinds of ministry; at least 23 were actually called disciples.

They were ***LEADERS AND TEACHERS AND SERVANTS OF EVERY KIND WITHIN THE GOD-ORDAINED STRUCTURE OF COMPLEMENTARY ROLES.***