

## OHANA STUDY GUIDE

July 18-24, 2010

Sermon: "Becoming An Encouraging Church" July 25, 2010

Acts 18:18-28

1. Read v.18-23. Make a list of all the places Paul visited in these verses.

a. How do you suppose Paul knew where to go and how long to stay in each place (see v.21)?

2. Paul speaks about "God's will" (v.21). What is the most reliable way for us to determine God's will when making a decision?

c. Why is it not always easy to determine God's will, according to 2 Cor.11:14-15?

3. Read v.24-28. List the accomplishments and strengths of Apollos. What was his one weakness?

a. Do you believe that this one weakness should have disqualified him from preaching?

b. Why or why not?

4. When you observe someone who is passionate about serving Christ but has an area of obvious weakness, what should your first response be if he were to ask you to help him in his work?

a. Is it always right to point out another person's weakness, or is it best sometimes to say nothing?

5. Priscilla and Aquila did two things initially to reach out to Apollos. What were they?

a. What lessons can we learn from them in the way we can reach out to encourage others?

6. There were other Christians in Ephesus who helped Apollos in two ways. What were they (v.27)?

a. In your ohana, discuss some practical ways that we can encourage one another in our Christian service.

7. What was the outcome of the encouragement Apollos had received from Priscilla, Aquila, and his Christian brothers?

a. Without the encouragement he received, what do you think would have become of Apollos?

