

# God's Kingdom On-mission:

## Every Day in Every Way

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Acts 18:1-17

### Lessons from Corinth

1. The Lord may lead you to a very difficult mission field. v.1
2. The Lord can even use the evil of unbelievers to provide encouragement for Believers. vv.2-3
3. We are to reason, persuade, preach & testify to everyone who will listen, that Jesus is the only way. vv.4-7
  - in regular, planned meetings
  - in everyday, normal opportunities
  - to those who know the Bible
  - to those who have no knowledge of the Bible
4. We are not held responsible for those who reject Christ. v.6
5. We are held responsible for those who accept Christ. vv.8-11
  - We must share with courage.
    - Not afraid of what others will do to you.
  - We must disciple with purpose.
    - Lead them to Jesus: faith in Christ.
    - Lead them to church: faithfulness to Christ's Body.
    - Lead them to mission: fulfillment of Christ's Word.
6. We should be prepared to defend our faith. vv.12-14a (1 Peter 3:13-17)
7. The Lord can even use accusation & judgment from unbelievers to provide justice & grace for Believers. vv.14b-17 (1 Corinthians 1:1)
  - Sosthenes & the other Jews accused Paul.
  - Gallio judged on behalf of Paul.
  - Paul was released.
  - The Jews were kicked out of the court.
  - The unbelieving Greeks attacked Sosthenes.
  - Sosthenes apparently, eventually became a Christian.