

Corinth  
October 23, 2022  
Acts 18:1-17

Athens vs. Corinth

- Paul changed his method after Athens – 1 Cor 2:1-5
- But...Ministry in Athens was successful & see message: Acts 17:18
- Modern missions– Start with God the Creator and work to the Gospels!

Background: Corinth “What happens in Vegas...”

- Wealthy seaport, Temple of Aphrodite, immorality = “To Corinthianize”

Story:

- New friends and old patterns 1-4
  - Aquila & Priscilla – See Romans 16:3
  - Teaching in the synagogue – persuading Jews and Greeks
- Old patterns repeated and new meeting places 5-8
  - Silas and Timothy arrive – Paul now in fulltime ministry!
  - Opposition in synagogue and abuse...
  - Paul shakes out his clothes and walks away. (Acts 13:51; Matt 10:14)
  - Paul moves in next door!
  - Impact: Greek worshiper of God; Jewish synagogue leader, & more
- Vision from the Lord 9-11
  - Word of encouragement! – Keep on! Don’t stop! Much fruit!
  - Paul remains in Corinth 18 months!
- Persecution and Outcome 12-17
  - Paul attacked... but wait... reread 9-11.
  - Brought before Gallio (the new fella) & accused of breaking the law
  - Gallio interrupts Paul. And tells the accusers to pound sand.
  - The crowd liked the verdict and beat up the synagogue leader and Gallio didn’t care.

Application:

- Closed doors and open opportunities.
- Faith over fear.
- Sosthenes!

Homework: Read 1 Corinthians