

ACTS – Big God, Real Church

“A New Power Arises”

Acts 18:24-19:41

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions are intended to use in discussion and application of the past week’s sermon.

Listening

What part of the sermon was most helpful to you or challenged you to think and/or live differently? How will you apply this message to your life?

Engaging

What do you think it means that the account concerning Apollos stands alone in Luke’s account (not mentioned before or after the tail-end of ch.18)? What does this account show us about the character and initiative of Aquila and Priscilla?

Ephesus was a hyper-spiritual, dark culture, and the movement of the Kingdom made some mighty impacts across the social, religious, economic, and financial state of things. Are there ways you see the Kingdom making impacts in our culture today? What about other cultures outside of our own?

Applying

Are there leaders in our community (government, education, business, etc.) that you, or others around you, have relationships with like Paul had with the Asiarchs (ch.19)? How do you think keeping these relationships helps the health and vibrancy of the reach of the church?

We can often read about Paul’s clothing being taken and elsewhere employed for healing purposes and assume that occasions like this are the norm or even to be sought after. Yet throughout the rest of the New Testament, where practices of faith are further explored and explained, it seems that the norm concerning physical healing is sought through prayer among the church. Discuss (and maybe debate) your beliefs.

Praying

In light of this message and discussion:

How can we pray for each other?
Where do you feel challenged or convicted?

What can we praise God for?
How can we pray for our church?