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# **Sow Gospel Seeds**

Lesson Two · Acts 18:23-28

Sow with Gospel Accuracy

Sowing with Gospel Abandon Does Not Eliminate the Need for Sowing with Gospel **ACCURACY**!

Both are necessary to bridge the gap to all peoples with the gospel!

God Uses **ORDINARY** People to Fill the Gaps Others Have in Their Understanding of the Gospel.

We all have gaps in our understanding and application of the gospel. These gaps need to be filled to sow with gospel accuracy!

# Four Essentials for Sowing with Gospel Accuracy

# 1. Be Taught by God's GIFTED TEACHERS.

Acts 8:24-26a; Ephesians 4:11-16; 1Corinthians 12:28; Acts 13:1

**Characteristics of God's Gifted Teachers** 

- ❖ Well-taught and able to teach others. (v. 24)
- **Skilled in handling** the Scriptures. (vv. 24, 25a; Titus 1:9)
- **Passionate about accurately** teaching the gospel of Jesus. (w. 25-26a)
- Leverage their teaching to bridge the gap to all peoples through local churches. (vv. 27-28)

# 2. Learn with a TEACHABLE SPIRIT

Acts 8:25-26

What Does a Teachable Spirit Look Like? 2Timothy 2:24-26

Who Needs a Teachable Spirit?

- Gifted LEADERS.
- Godly MEMBERS.

### 3. Remember EVERYONE Is Able to Teach.

Acts 18:25-26: 28:23. 31

How Did Both Priscilla and Aquila Teach Apollos?

- Listened with DISCERNMENT.
- ❖ Taught with DISCRETION.
- Explained through <u>DISCIPLESHIP</u>. Matthew 28:18-20; Hebrews 5:3-4; Colossians 3:16; Ephesians 6:4

Why is Priscilla often mentioned before her husband? Was she the head of her home and the pastor of a local church? [See Handout at the Info Table.]

# 4. Maintain a Biblical TENSION.

Maintain a Biblical Tension Between...

- The Spirit's gifting and our studying. 1Timothy 4:14-16
- Sowing with *abandon* and with *accuracy*.
- Teaching to plant and to water on mission. 1Corinthians 3:6; Acts 18:27-28
- Teaching with conviction and compassion. 2Timothy 2:24-26; 1Corinthians 4:21; 2John 10-11
- Honoring teachers as gifts from God without worshipping them as gods. Acts 18:26; 1Corinthians 3:4-9; 4:1-2; Ephesians 4:11; 1Timothy 5:17-20; Galatians 6:6
- Electing qualified men to teach the congregation and empowering women to teach within God's design in Christ for gender roles.
  Acts 18:26; 1Timothy 2:11-15; 3:1-2; 2Timothy 2:2; Titus 1:6-9; 2:3-5; 1Corinthians 11:5

#### So Now What? GO SOW with GOSPEL ACCURACY!

Determine to understand the gospel more accurately.

Participate in LifeBridge's  $\emph{GROW}$  opportunities to learn more accurately.

Invite others to learn the gospel more accurately here at LifeBridge.

Come to the WOC and pray about making your Faith Promise Commitment.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you." 1Timothy 4:16