

Apollos - Discussion

1. Is it possible to believe in Jesus, and not receive the Holy Spirit ?

Whose work is it to be indwelt by the Holy Spirit ?

2. How do you explain the Holy Spirit to new believers ?

Week 09

1

The Disciples in Ephesus

What similarities do you see between Apollos in Chapter 18 to the disciples in Chapter 19?

1. Do you believe we have people in the church today who are sincerely worshipping the Lord Jesus but are limited by the teaching they have received?
2. What can we learn from Paul about discipling new believers?

Week 09

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The Obstinate

In vv 19:8-9 we read that many in the audience became Obstinate.

1. How does one become obstinate
2. What is the result of becoming obstinate
3. Are we likely to do the same things if we become obstinate? Can you give some examples
4. How did Paul deal with these obstinate people?

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The Extraordinary Miracles

Are there ordinary miracles?

What is an Extraordinary miracle?

Were these evidenced in other locations and times? If so, where?

Should we expect to see God work Extraordinary miracles through us today? Explain.

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Invoking the Name of Jesus

What does the word "invoke" mean?

Why would they try to invoke the name of Jesus?

What is the lesson we need to learn here?

Paul drove out evil spirits, the evil spirits drove out the seven sons. Should we expect to see this same thing in our city?

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Confession and Divulging

In vv 18-19 we read that many came confessing and divulging their prior evil practices.

What is the relationship between believing and confessing of Sin?

Today, do we see these two operating together? How?

Verse 19 says that a number of people burned their scrolls. If that were to happen here in Martell or Jackson, what might our scrolls be?

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Demetrius

Was Demetrius' complaint against the way essentially religious or financial.

How has Paul led the people astray? What has Paul said that was causing so much trouble for Demetrius and the others.

How could the spread of the gospel impact certain trades in Martel/Amador county?

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The church in Ephesus

In vs 20:01 we read that Paul encouraged the church in Ephesus — What did this include?

How did the church respond

Short Term

Longer Term, about 90CE (See Rev 2:1-7)

What about the church in Ephesus today

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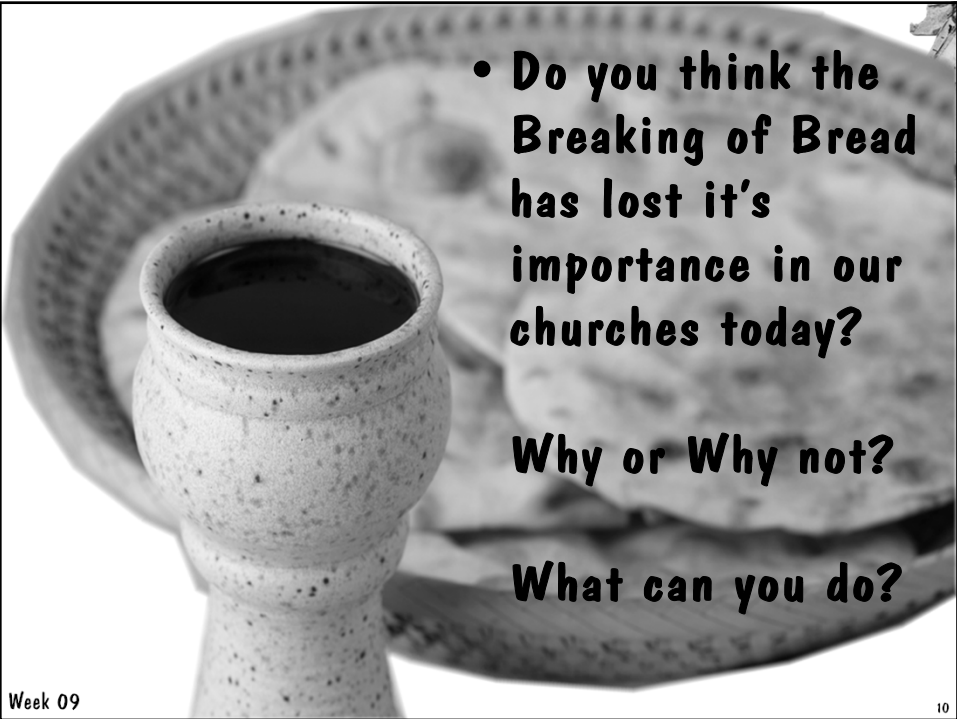
In Troas (20:4-7)

What is significant of the day that Paul is meeting with the believers in Troas?

What does it mean that they broke bread together? Was this important for Paul?

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- A black and white photograph of a communion cup and a plate of bread. The cup is in the foreground, filled with a dark liquid. Behind it is a woven basket containing several pieces of bread. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.
- **Do you think the Breaking of Bread has lost it's importance in our churches today?**

Why or Why not?

What can you do?

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Compare Paul's Philosophy with his Analysis

Acts 20:24

²⁴ But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

2 Tim 4:7

⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

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Paul's Pastoral Terminology - Titles

Presbuteros (v17) >> Elders

Episkopos (28) >> Overseers

**Poimaino (28) >> "to shepherd"
or "to care for"**

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The warning(s) to Paul

What do you think?

- **Did Paul disobey the Spirit by going to Jerusalem**
- **Did Paul obey the Spirit, this was a test.**