SERMON OUTLINE

How God Watches Over Our Ministry Acts 18:1-22

- I. God puts together ministry partnerships (Acts 18:1-6).
 - A. Paul joined Aquila and Priscilla in Corinth working with them and preaching (18:1-4).
 - B. When Silas and Timothy came from Philippi, Paul was able to focus on the gospel (18:5).
 - C. When the Jews opposed him, Paul turned to the Gentiles (18:6).
- II. God protects ministry to accomplish His goals (Acts 18:7-11).
 - A. Many believed and were baptized (18:7-8).
 - B. God promised to protect Paul because He had many who would be saved in Corinth (18:9-10).
 - C. Paul taught in Corinth a year and a half (18:11).
- III. God oversees all that government does about Christianity (Acts 18:12-17).
 - A. God sometimes allows Christians to be falsely accused (18:12-13).
 - B. God sometimes lets Christians have freedom and sometimes allows persecution (18:14-17).
- IV. God can use our wisdom to accomplish His will (Acts 18:18-22).
 - A. Paul fulfilled a vow in Cenchrea and then took Aquila and Priscilla to Ephesus (18:18-19a).
 - B. Paul promised he would come back to Ephesus if it was God's will, then went to Jerusalem and finally Antioch (18:19b-22).

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