

## ***Sermon Title: "COMPANIONS IN THE CHURCH"***

**Date: November 19, 2023 - Acts 18:24-28**

**Central Idea:** Christians in unity can be effective when focused on Jesus and His word. Where is your focus?

**Introduction:** After spending a year and a half in Corinth, Paul took Priscilla and Aquila on to Ephesus where he left them and returned to Antioch. After staying in Antioch for some time, Paul resumed traveling around to encourage the disciples.

And now we meet Apollos, a man who knew the Old Testament scriptures well and was able to teach with eloquence and power. The only problem was that this enthusiastic man was declaring an incomplete Gospel. Who is this man Apollos?

### **I. His Ancestry v. 24a**

- 1. Jewish**
- 2. Birth**

### **II. His Talents vv. 24b-25a**

- 1. Educated**
- 2. Eloquent**
- 3. Teachable**
- 4. Fervent**

### **III. His Diligence v. 25b**

- 1. He spoke.**
- 2. He taught.**

### **IV. His Zeal v. 26**

- 1. Bold**
- 2. Teachable**

### **V. His Influence vv. 27-28**

- 1. Recommendation v. 27a**
- 2. Helpfulness v. 27b**
- 3. Convincing v. 28**

**Conclusion:** Rarely do we meet someone as gifted and talented as Apollos who is willing to learn and be taught. Aquila and Priscilla did not instruct him in public because that would have only confused the Jews. They took him home and told him about Jesus Christ and the coming of the Holy Spirit. This was just what he needed to complete his ministry.