

**A Man for All Seasons**  
**"The Life of Paul" episode 28**  
**Acts 18**

"A portrait of Paul in the closing months of A.D. 50 may be drawn from his First Letter to the Thessalonians.

"Paul endeavored to live at peace with his fellow believers--not that there were many yet in Corinth. He rebuked the idle and careless, encouraged the fainthearted, supported the weak, and was very patient with them all. He took care not to pay back wrong for wrong but sought to help his fellowmen whether they were Christians or unbelievers. He was always rejoicing, he prayed constantly, and thanked God in every circumstance whether harsh or favorable, knowing that God as revealed in Christ particularly desired this....He kept himself from every action or word which he knew was wrong.

"His constant prayer, with full confidence, was that the God of peace would purify him and, in all the defilements of a pagan city, keep him sound in spirit, soul, and body, 'without fault when our Lord Jesus Christ comes.'"

John Pollock, *The Apostle: A Life of Paul*, p. 164

‡ **Socially** — Paul wasn't a Loner:

he understood the value of a \_\_\_\_\_.

Acts 18:2-5

‡ **Emotionally** — Paul wasn't a Worrier:

he walked with a "God is \_\_\_\_\_ me" awareness. Acts 18:9-11

‡ **Physically** — Paul wasn't a Bludger:

he disciplined his \_\_\_\_\_.

Acts 18:18

‡ **Spiritually** — Paul wasn't a Whiner:

he had an "if God \_\_\_\_\_" reaction to events.

Acts 18:21