



Topeka Bible Church
The Life of Paul, Episode 28:
"A Man for All Seasons"
Community Group Study Questions
Acts 18:1-21 and selected passages

1. When you first meet someone, what impresses you most about them (intelligence, relationships, sense of humor, etc.)? What do think the qualities are that God finds most "impressive?"

2. What does *Acts 18:2-5* tell you about the value Paul placed on "community" or others in his life (*Romans 16:3ff*)? Who is your "community" here at TBC? If you don't have anyone, what steps can you take to get connected with others (*Hebrews 10:24-25*)?

3. What is Paul's response (*Acts 18:11*) to God's words in *Acts 18:9-10*? How is this response remarkable? What do we learn from Paul's example of trust in the living God (*Psalm 20:7*)?

4. If you struggle with worrying, how can you overcome that struggle (*Philippians 4:6-7*)? If anxiety or worry is such a struggle for so many of us, what is the solution (*Matthew 6:31-33; 1 Peter 5:7*)?

5. Why did Paul get his haircut in *Acts 18:18* (*Numbers 6:5*)? How does this demonstrate that Paul was a man of discipline (*1 Corinthians 9:24-27*)? What areas of your life are in need of deeper discipline or self control (*2 Timothy 1:7*)?

6. Paul demonstrated his spiritual maturity in *Acts 18:21* through his “if God wills” response to life (see also *Romans 15:32*). What area of your life do you need to adopt a similar response and let go of control (*James 4:15*)?

7. Share with someone this week about an area (community with others, trust instead of worry, discipline, or an “if God wills” response) where you need more “balance.” Ask that person (or those people) to pray specifically for your “balance” this week.

Memory Verse:

**“but taking leave of them and saying, ‘I will return to you again if God wills,’
he set sail from Ephesus.”
(Acts 18:21, NASB)**