

^{18.1} After these things, Paul separated from Athens and went into Corinth. ² After finding a Judean born in the province of Pontus named Aquila, who had recently come from the province of Italy with Priscilla his woman because Claudius had ordered all the Judeans to separate from Rome, Paul went to them. ³ Because they had the same technique, being tentmakers, Paul began remaining and working with them. ⁴ Addressing the synagogue during every Sabbath, Paul began persuading both Judeans and Greeks. ⁵ When Silas and Timothy came down from the province of Macedonia, Paul began being gripped by the word and was a testimony to the Judeans that Jesus was the Anointed. ⁶ Because they were opposing and slandering him, Paul shook off his garments and said to them,

“Your blood is upon your own heads! I am pure! From now on I will go to the nations!”

⁷ Going around there, he came into the house of someone named Titius Justus, who was revering the Creator and whose house shared a boundary with the synagogue. ⁸ Crispus, the synagogue leader, trusted the Lord with all of his house and, hearing this, many Corinthians began trusting and being baptized. ⁹ The Lord said to Paul through a vision in the night,

“Do not fear! Speak and do not be silent. ¹⁰ I am with you and nothing will come upon you to harm you because many of my people are in this city.”

¹¹ Paul stayed for one year and six months teaching the word of the Creator among them. ¹² While Gallio was provincial governor of the province of Achaia, the Judeans communally stood against Paul and brought him before the judgment seat, ¹³ saying,

“This one is persuading humanity to revere the Creator without the Torah!”

¹⁴ But while Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Judeans,

“If this was about injustice or evil work, oh Judeans, then I would consider your word. ¹⁵ But if this debate is about a word, names, and the Torah according to you, then see to it yourselves. I am not desiring to be the judge of these things!”

¹⁶ Then Gallio drove them away from the judgment seat. ¹⁷ But taking Sosthenes, the synagogue leader, they all began hitting him in front of the judgment seat and, yet, none of these things were concerning to Gallio.

¹⁸ After remaining adequate days with the brothers, Paul said goodbye and began boating with Priscilla and Aquila into the province of Syria. Because of a vow, he cut the hair of his head in Cenchrea. ¹⁹ Paul arrived in Ephesus, where he left Priscilla and Aquila behind. Going into the synagogue, he addressed the Judeans. ²⁰ They requested him to remain there for a considerable time, but he would not agree ²¹ and said goodbye, saying,

“I will return to you again, if the Creator is wanting that.”

Paul left Ephesus ²² and, after coming down to Caesarea, he went up to Jerusalem and then, after embracing the community, he went down to Syrian Antioch.