

²³ After spending some time in Syrian Antioch, Paul went out according to the arrangement, coming through the province of Galatia and the land of Phrygia, while helping all the apprentices there stand firm.

²⁴ A Judean born in Alexandria named Apollos, an eloquent man, who was powerful with the writings, arrived in Ephesus. ²⁵ After having been tutored about the Way of the Lord and being zealous with the Breath, Apollos began speaking and teaching accurately about Jesus, while only being aware of the baptism of John. ²⁶ He had begun to be confident in the synagogue but, after listening to him, Priscilla and Aquila had taken him and put the Way of the Creator upon him accurately. ²⁷ Apollos was desiring to come through into the province of Achaia and so, turning him forward, the brothers wrote for the apprentices there to welcome him. Coming forth into the province of Achaia, Apollos brought together many who had become trusting through the Creator's generosity ²⁸ by intensely correcting the Judeans—showing the public through the writings that Jesus was the Anointed.

^{19.1} While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul, after going through the higher parts to come down into Ephesus and to find some apprentices, ² said to those in Ephesus,

“Did you receive the Divine Breath after becoming trusting?”

They said to Paul,

“No, we have not even heard if there is a Divine Breath.”

³ He said,

“Then into what were you baptized?”

They said,

“Into the baptism of John.”

⁴ Paul said,

“John baptized with a baptism of transformation, telling the people to trust the one coming after him, that is, Jesus.”

⁵ After listening, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ When Paul put hands upon them, the Divine Breath came upon them and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying. ⁷ There were about twelve men in all. ⁸ Entering into the synagogue, Paul began confidently addressing them for three months and persuading them about the Rule of the Creator. ⁹ But some were being hardened and, not being persuaded, they were speaking evil of the Way in the sight of the multitude. After standing away from them, Paul exclusively addressed the apprentices every day in the School of the Tyrant. ¹⁰ This happened for two years so all those dwelling in the province of Asia listened to the word of the Lord, both Judeans and Greeks.

¹¹ The Creator began doing unobtainable powers through the hands of Paul, ¹² so even tissues and towels were brought away from his skin to the weak, to release them from their diseases and to make the evil breaths come

out from them. ¹³ Some of the Judean exorcists started coming around, attempting to name the name of the Lord Jesus upon those having evil breaths, saying,

“I make you take an oath to Jesus, the one Paul is proclaiming!”

¹⁴ The seven children of Sceva, a Judean leader of the temple-caretakers, were doing this. ¹⁵ Answering, the breath of evil said to them,

“I know Jesus and I am aware of Paul, but who are you?”

¹⁶ Then the person with the evil breath jumped upon them and, lording over all of them, was so strong against them that they fled from that house naked and injured. ¹⁷ This became known to all the Judeans and Greeks dwelling in Ephesus and fear fell upon all of them and the name of the Lord Jesus was made great. ¹⁸ Many of those who trusted began coming forward, declaring their loyalty and recounting their deeds. ¹⁹ An adequate amount of those, who had been practicing unnecessary works, brought their books and began burning them in the sight of everyone. They calculated their value to be one hundred and thirty-seven years’ wages. ²⁰ Thus, with might, the word of the Lord was growing and being strong.