

SENT series
Week 7 outline
7.3.22
Acts 18:24-19:20

HOW A MESSAGE BECAME A MOVEMENT Who Are You?

I. Knowledge Minus Presence of the Holy Spirit = Inadequate (Acts 18:24-28)

- A. Apollos before the Holy Spirit
 - learned, through knowledge of Scripture, instructed, great fervor, taught accurately
 - B. Priscilla and Aquilla to the rescue!
 - invited him to their home
 - explained the way of God more adequately
- Romans 8:9-11**
- C. Apollos after receiving the Holy Spirit
 - Became an incredibly effective minister of the Gospel, ambassador for Christ, and help to those who *"by grace had faith"* -vs 27

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WE MUST RECEIVE JESUS

II. Sorrow Minus Presence of the Holy Spirit = Incomplete (Acts 19:1-10)

- A. Disciples before the Holy Spirit
 - they had repented of sin but hadn't received the Holy Spirit
 - B. Paul to the rescue!
 - asked *"did you receive the Holy Spirit"*
 - He told the people to believe (place their faith in) Jesus
 - C. Disciples after the Holy Spirit
 - a mini-pentecost!
- John 16:7-15**

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III. Practice Minus Presence of the Holy Spirit = Ineffective (Acts 19:11-16)

- A. Extraordinary Miracles
 - "miracles not of an ordinary kind"*
- B. Trying to Invoke a name
 - trying to use somebody else's connection doesn't work
- C. "Jesus I know, Paul I've heard of ...but who are you?!"
 - coattail faith and 2nd hand confessions don't work

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IV. The Spark of a Movement (Acts 19:17-20)

"When *This* Became Known" ...that it wasn't enough to outwardly invoke the name of Jesus without the inward presence of Jesus...

A. Godly fear came over the people

B. The Lordship of Jesus was understood

C. People Responded

-They Believed: they came to faith, receiving Christ into their lives

-They Confessed: they openly repented of their sin

-They Obeyed: their practices and lifestyle dramatically changed

V. How Will We Respond?

A. We Believe and Receive

Be a people of faith! We must receive the Holy Spirit

-He transforms us from the inside out, convicts us and counsels us to freedom, and empowers us to be his witnesses

1. Have I received the Holy Spirit into my life or am I still practicing a coat-tail faith?

-What's an appropriate next step for me to take?

B. We Confess and Surrender

-be a people of humble surrender

-that means we accuse less and confess more

2. Am I practicing the Discipline of confession and receiving forgiveness?

With God and with one another?

C. We Leave and Cleave

-burn the ships! be a people fully devoted to Jesus Christ

3. Is there a time, talent, or treasure that means more to me than Jesus? How might it

hold me back from fully following Him? What does it need to look like for me to

let that go?

We need the Holy Spirit. He's advocating on our behalf,
Graciously convicting us of sin, Granting us Christ's righteousness
Guiding us in truth, and Glorifying the person of Jesus
The Holy Spirit isn't an option for Jesus' Church, He's a necessity.