

Living Water Part 37
Acts 18:18-19:10

The Title Of The Message: “Strengthening Each Other”

The Key Word: Strengthening

The Thought: As disciples we need to be strengthened by other disciples, and then we need to strengthen others.

The Breakdown:

Verses 18-23 Strengthening The Disciples...

Verses 24-28 Strengthened Through Accuracy...

Chapter 19:1-10 Strengthened Through The Holy Spirit...

Verses 18-23 Strengthening The Disciples...

Acts 18:18

So Paul still remained a good while...

To be filled with the Holy Spirit is to be filled with Christ. The Holy Spirit came to glorify Christ. Therefore, if I am filled with the Spirit, I am abiding in Christ.... And if I am controlled and empowered by Christ, He will be walking around in my body, living His resurrection life in and through me. -Bill Bright

He had [his] hair cut off at Cenchrea...

1 Corinthians 9:19 (NKJV) For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more...

Acts 18:19-21

And he came to Ephesus...

James 4:13–15

Acts 18:22-23

And when he had landed at Caesarea...

Proverbs 27:17 (NKJV) As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.

Verses 24-28 Strengthening Through Accuracy...

Acts 18:24-25

Now a certain Jew named Apollos...

Acts 18:26

So he began to speak boldly...

“Fervent in spirit”

“Fervent” = “To be hot, to boil”

Acts 18:27-28

And when he desired to cross to Achaia...

For he vigorously refuted...

1 Corinthians 16:17–18 (NKJV) 17 I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your

part they supplied. 18 For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men.

Proverbs 25:13 (NKJV) Like the cold of snow in time of harvest Is a faithful messenger to those who send him, For he refreshes the soul of his masters.

Chapter 19:1-10 Strengthened Through The Holy Spirit...

Acts 19:1-3

And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth...

“Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”

1 Corinthians 2:13 (NKJV) These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Galatians 5:25 (NKJV) If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Ephesians 5:18 (NKJV) And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

Galatians 5:16 (NKJV) I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Acts 19:4-6

Then Paul said...

“Have ye then received the Spirit since you believed? Beloved, are you now receiving the Spirit? Are you living under his divine influence? Are you filled with his power? Put the question

personally. I am afraid some professors will have to admit that they hardly know whether there be any Holy Ghost; and others will have to confess that though they have enjoyed a little of his saving work, yet they do not know much of his ennobling and sanctifying influence.” -Charles Spurgeon

Acts 19:7-8

Now the men were about twelve in all...

God always wants us to go deeper. We tend to sip where we could drink deeply; we drink deeply where we could wade in, and we wade in where we could plunge in and swim. Most of us need to encouraged to go deeper and further into the things of the Holy Spirit. -David Guzick

John 6:53 (NKJV) Then Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.

Acts 19:9-10

But when some were hardened...

2 Timothy 4:3 (NKJV) For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers...

Application:

- 1. As disciples we must be strengthened by the word of God.**
- 2. As disciples we need humble, teachable hearts, so that we can strengthen the disciples.**

3. As disciples we must have discernment and a willingness to follow through as the Spirit leads.