

ACTS - Changed Lives Keep Speaking - Acts 18:9-11

Read/Reflect

- 1. What stands out to you from Jesus' vision to Paul? Why do you think this encouragement was necessary for Paul at this point?
- 2. How does this vision contrast with Paul's experiences in other cities like Thessalonica (17:1-9), Berea (17:10-15), or Athens (17:16-18:1)? How might his experiences from these cities have shaped his mindset in Corinth?
- 3. How is Jesus' promise given to Paul in the vision fulfilled in 18:12-17?

Explore

- 1. What forms of opposition do we face today that might make us tempted to "be silent" about our faith? What situations in your own life make you feel like being silent about your faith when you should speak?
- 2. Have you ever experienced God strengthening you to stay despite the challenging circumstances that were against you? What helped you to remain faithful in that place?
- 3. What does God's promise of His presence signify in the Bible? Can you think of other times God said this (e.g. Joshua, Moses, Jeremiah) and what it meant for them?
- 4. What would it look like to trust that God "has many people" in your city, school, workplace, or neighborhood? How would this assurance shape how you share your faith with others?

Pray/Practice

- What is the one take-away from this study that you could begin to live out this week?
- Are there circumstances in your own life where you're afraid to speak about your faith in Christ? Set a
 goal to engage in one conversation where you share your faith this week, even if it feels uncomfortable.
- Spend time as a small group to pray for your city. Ask God to show you individually and as a group where He's already at work and how you can join Him.