# "Acts – Enlarging Kingdom (13): Open Door... 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary Journey of Paul and Silas – Corinth" (Acts 18:1-23)

How does one Assess the Ministry of a Church? Have we been Faithful at Jireh?

## I. <u>Corinth</u> (18:1-18)

- A. Corinth Noted for Commerce and Decadence (18:1)
- B. Paul: Tent-making during weekdays, Witnessing on Sabbath (18:2-4)
- C. Paul's Message: Jesus is the Christ the Messiah (18:5-8); turning from Jews to Gentiles with the Gospel
- D. Paul's Vision: "Fear Not" (18:9-10)

## II. <u>Conclusion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary Journey</u> (18:19-23)

- A. Witnessing in Ephesus
- B. Visiting and Strengthening Churches in Galatia and Phrygia on return trip

#### **III.** Lessons for Us Today

A. We are All Called to be Tentmakers

#### Are we Faithful to God's Kingdom Agenda as our Priority? When we live by Faith, we will Experience God's Peace, Power and Presence...

#### B. "Too Soon to Quit": Perseverance

### **<u>4 Reasons for the Challenge in Multi-Ethnic Ministry</u>**

- 1) Did Not Hear Enough
- 2) Did Not Understand Enough
- 3) Did Not Prepare to Accept Enough: Kingdom Heart!
- 4) Did Not Believe Enough: Miracle of 5 loaves and 2 fish (John 6:6-9)

To fulfill God's Vision for us to build a Multi-Ethnic Church, we need to Walk by Faith and Persevere in Prayer

Do you sense God's Heartbeat? Persevere! Do you Hear God's Burden for Jireh? Do you Understand? Are you Prepared to Embrace Others? Do you Believe that, Together, we can build a Multi-Ethnic Church?