

ACTS TO REVELATION

Drive Thru History | The World of the First Christians

This Week's Scripture

**Acts 18:1-28,
1 & 2 Corinthians**

More Resources

As we continue our journey from Acts to Revelation, the final book in the New Testament, the video series will reference and discuss some of the associated letters written to churches visited by the Apostle Paul. Reading the relevant passages in Acts and the associated letters before coming to group each week will help you better understand the message of the gospel. Please take advantage of the excellent resources that are available to you, for FREE, at the **Bible Project**.

You might want to watch two videos that will give you an overview of **1 Corinthians** and **2 Corinthians**, though they are not a substitute for reading these two letters. Click on the videos below or the links above.

1 Corinthians



2 Corinthians



Ancient Corinth

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Which part of this week's reading and video caught your attention the most? What insights did you glean? What questions do you have? Is God speaking to you about a situation in your own life through these Scriptures? What are you learning about God?

THE CONTEXT

- What was it about the culture of Corinth that made it challenging for the early Christians to live out their faith in Jesus?
- What opportunities for the advance of the gospel did the Corinthian Christians have?
- What challenges to living out your faith in Jesus and what opportunities for the advance of the gospel are present in your life today?

RUNNING TO WIN: 1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-27

• Dave Stotts, our tour guide, mentioned the fact that the Isthmian Games were held in Corinth around the time Paul was living in the city. When writing back to the Corinthian Christians from Ephesus, Paul used the following athletic metaphor to encourage his friends in their walk with Christ. What would it look like for you to apply this teaching to your life today? Please see the text below.

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the

Small Group Prayer Requests

To help you pray for one another during the week, please take notes on the requests that are shared. Please remember that everything people talk about in your group is confidential..

Watch This Week's Episode Online



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Week 11 Prep

Read Acts 19 & 20, Ephesians

prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize. 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

LOVE IS AN EVENT: 1 CORINTHIANS 13 & 15

- Dave Stotts comments, "1 Corinthians brings our focus back to where it should be – on Jesus – and teaches us that genuine Christian love is the solution to many of our problems." In light of what Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 about love, how does this kind of love enable us to engage many of the difficulties and challenge we face today? Have someone in your group re-read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 and then have a discussion about it.
- In 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, Paul reminds his friends that their faith is not grounded in an abstract philosophy but in a historical event – the crucifixion and physical resurrection of Jesus from the dead. How can that event encourage us to live with greater courage and real hope in our day?
- Share prayer request and pray for one another.

Notes from the Video and Discussion

What other insights, questions, challenges, encouragements are you taking with you tonight? Record your thoughts and any action steps you intend to take in the space below.