



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, let us all be prepared in season and out of season, help us to always be prepared with a answer. For we believe and we have seen not, but yet, those with You than saw and did not believe. Cause Your discernment to well up in each of us and may we always test the spirits. Keep each person and bless them and supply their needs. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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## Scripture

1 After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth; 2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came to them. Rom 16:3; 1Cor 16:19; 2Tim 4:19; 3 And because he was of the same craft, he stayed with them, and worked: for by their occupation they were tentmakers. Acts 20:34; 1Cor 4:12; 2Cor 11:9; 2Cor 12:13; 1Thess 2:9; 2Thess 3:8; 4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ. Acts 17:15; 6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said to them, Your blood be on your own heads; I am clean; from now on I will go to the Gentiles. Matt 10:14; Acts 13:51; 7 And he departed there, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

**Acts 18 : 1-7**

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Corinth was a busy port and a wicked city. There Paul met a Jew named Aquila a native of Pontus, recently arrived from Italy with Priscilla his wife, due to the fact that Claudius had issued an edict that all the Jews were to leave Rome. And Paul went to see them. Paul stayed with Aquila and Priscilla in Corinth (18: 2-3), and they went with him as far as Ephesus (18 : 18-19). There are inscriptions in the catacombs in Rome that hint that Priscilla was of a distinguished family of high standing in Rome. She is usually mentioned first and must have been a woman of unusual talent. A church met in their house in Ephesus, and later also in their house in Rome. Some years later, they were again in Ephesus.

Paul was of the same occupation, and while he stayed with them; they worked [together], for they were tent-makers by trade. The Rabbis were to learn a trade so they wouldn't have to accept money from the people. Thus, Paul learned a trade.

He then left there and went to the house of a man named Titus Justus who worshiped God and whose house was next door to the synagogue. Joined hard means the house was right next door to the synagogue.

Paul one night had a vision, and the Lord said; " have no fear, but speak and do not keep silent, for I am with you, and no man shall assault you to harm you, for I have many people in this city. He settled down among them for a year and six months, teaching the Word of God [concerning the attainment through Christ of eternal salvation in the kingdom of God]. The visions that Paul received were important in the direction of his ministry.

Gallio was newly appointed by Rome. He was an honest magistrate and interested in properly administering Roman justice. Sosthenes probably took over the synagogue when Crispus became a Christian. Gallio wouldn't let himself become involved in the Jews' disputing because it wasn't under his jurisdiction.

Paul did the most marvelous work of all his marvelous life. Ephesus, a magnificent city with a population of almost a quarter of a million people, was located at the center of the Imperial Highway from Rome to the East, the backbone of the Roman Empire. Large numbers of worshipers of the most important deity in Ephesus, the goddess Diana, became Christians. Churches were founded for 100 miles around (19: 10, 26. Ephesus rapidly became the leading center of the Christian world.

Apollos was an eloquent Jew who became a powerful leader in the Corinthian church and in Ephesus. Some years later, he was still helping Paul.

With a lecture hall as his headquarters. Paul spoke publicly, and from house to house day and night, for three years. He supported himself by working at his own trade. With the occasional aid of special miracles, Paul shook the mighty city of Ephesus to its foundations. Magicians, who pretended to work miracles, were so awed that they made a great bonfire of their books. It appears Paul was able to work miracles in certain places or situations. He performed miracles in Cyprus, Iconium, Lystra, Philippi, Ephesus and Malta, and apparently in Corinth and in Thessalonica. ( Halley's Bible Handbook; 2000; Pages 745-747; history and commentaries) ( New Testament Study, 2005; Chuck Smith; commentaries'; pages 63-64)

The phrase; in Christ, in Him, and in Whom that are found in many books of the New Testament are vitally important, if we do not understand these terms, we will never have proper insight concerning our "who" and we will be frustrated as we spend our lives trying to improve our "do". For in Him we live and move and have our being. When we receive Jesus Christ as Savior, we are considered to be "in Him." What we earned and deserves, we receive by inheritance. Examining the relationship with our natural children may better help us understand this subject.

Relationship with Jesus is referred to in John 3: 3, 4 as being "born again." Nicodemus asked Jesus, " How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter his mother's womb again ?" Nicodemus failed to see that Jesus spoke of a spiritual birth, a birth where we are taken out of a worldly way of living and placed into Christ and into a new way of thinking, speaking and acting. The truth is that our acceptance by God is based on Jesus' performance, not ours. When He died on the cross, we died with Him. When He was buried, we were buried with Him. When He was resurrected, we were resurrected with Him. When we know who we are in Him, our behavior will change and we will progressively behave more and more in ways that are Christ like. ( Amplified Bible; JMM; Page 1777; 2005)

1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: John 19:39; 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said to him, Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that you do, except God be with him. John 7:50; John 19:39; John 9:16; John 9:33; Acts 10:38;

3 Jesus answered and said to him, Truly, truly, I say to you, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

4 Nicodemus said to him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

5 Jesus answered, Truly, truly, I say to you, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Titus 3:5; 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Rom 8:5; 7 Marvel not that I said to you, You must be born again. 8 The wind blows where it wants, and you hear the sound thereof, but can not tell from where it comes, and where it goes: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

9 Nicodemus answered and said to him, How can these things be? John 6:52;

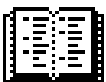
10 Jesus answered and said to him, Are you a master of Israel, and know not these things? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and you receive not our witness. John 7:16; John 8:28; John 12:49; John 14:24; John 3:32; 12 If I have told you earthly things, and you believe not, how shall you believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?

13 And no man has ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven. John 6:62; Eph 4:9;

**John 3 : 1-13**

**Psa 119:105**

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto  
my feet, and a light  
unto my path.**



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