

*Now a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man and mighty in the Scriptures, came to Ephesus. <sup>25</sup> This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things of the Lord, though he knew only the baptism of John. <sup>26</sup> So he began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. <sup>27</sup> And when he desired to cross to Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him; and when he arrived, he greatly helped those who had believed through grace; <sup>28</sup> for he vigorously refuted the Jews publicly, showing from the Scriptures that Jesus is the Christ.*

Acts 18:24-28

# Apollos: An Effective Disciple



## ➤ The Right Strength

- Where is my strength concentrated? Education? Economics? Athletics?
- His subject material was the scriptures (:28). It is the word of God that will *“make one wise unto salvation through faith”* (2 Tim. 3:15). The gospel is the *“power of God unto salvation”* (Rom. 1:16)
- He had been exposed to the scriptures (Acts 18:25). Ethiopian Eunuch: *“how can I unless some man guide me”*?

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## ➤ The Right Spirit

- A fervent spirit- “to boil, be hot”
- *“not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord”* (Rom. 12:11)
- Diligence is required of Christians: to grow in Christ (2 Pt. 1:5); to not become sluggish (Heb. 6:9-12); to abound (2 Cor. 8:7)
- How is your spiritual snapshot? Does it communicate *“rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice!”*



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## ➤ The Right Words

- Boldness and accuracy do not always go together (Acts 18:26; Rom. 10:2)
- Without accuracy zeal can be a dangerous thing!



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## ➤ The Right Attitude

- A great rhetorician and eloquent man is taught by 2 tentmakers!
- There is always room for growth (Acts 18:25-26)
- He was free from envy and a factious spirit (1 Cor. 3:22; 16:12)

