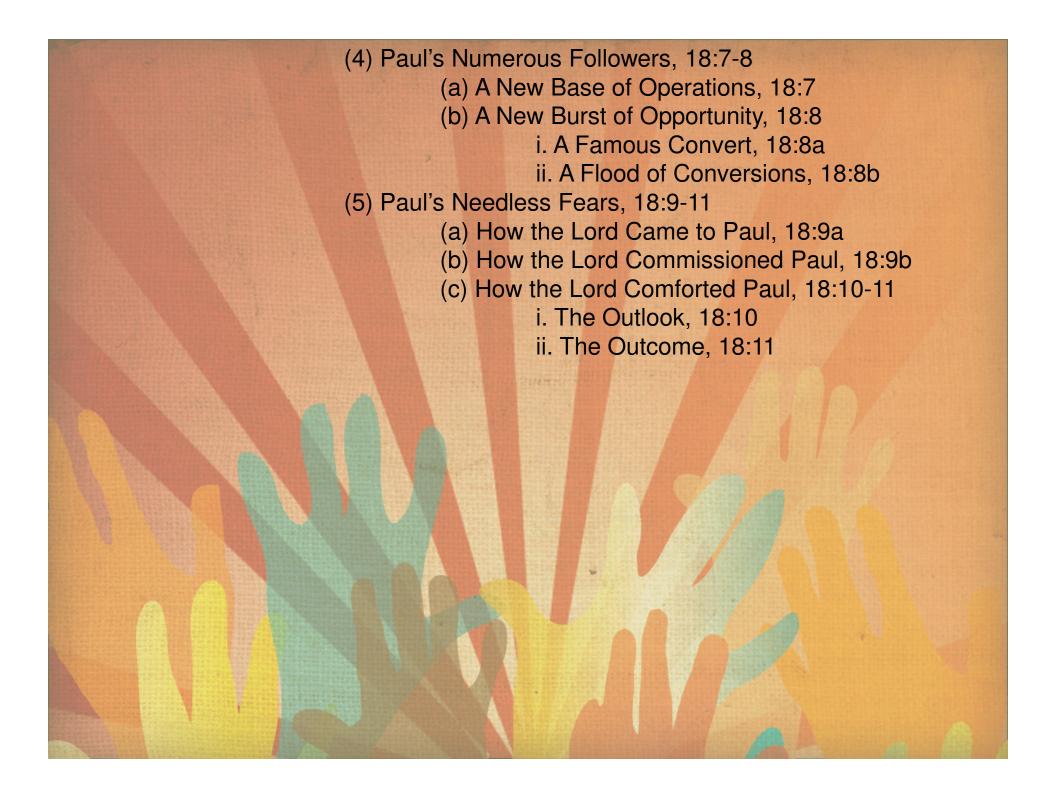


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- 14 And when Paul was now about to open *his* mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, If it were a matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O *ye* Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:
- 15 But if it be a question of words and names, and of your law, look ye to it; for I will be no judge of such matters.
- 16 And he drave them from the judgment seat.
- 17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him* before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.

- 18 And Paul after this tarried there yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.
- 19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.
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 - i. Gallio the Man, 18:12-13

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Acts 16:21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.

Acts 17:6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, *one* Jesus. ...

13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.

Original Word: ἀναπείθω

Transliteration: anapeitho

Definition: I persuade, incite, seduce, tempt.

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ii. Gallio the Magistrate, 18:14-16

- Leave Him Alone, 18:14a "And when Paul was now about to open his mouth..."
- Leave Me Alone, 18:14b-16
 - How He Put It, 18:14b-15
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Acts 18:15 But if it be a question of words and names, and of your law, look ye to it; for I will be no judge of such matters.

How He Proved It, 18:16

Acts 18:16 And he drave them from the judgment seat.

(b) The Spite of the Greeks, 18:17

Acts 18:17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him* before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.

New International Version

Then the crowd there turned on Sosthenes the synagogue leader and beat him in front of the proconsul; and Gallio showed no concern whatever.

New American Standard Bible

And they all took hold of Sosthenes, the leader of the synagogue, and began beating him in front of the judgment seat. But Gallio was not concerned about any of these things.

Holman Christian Standard Bible

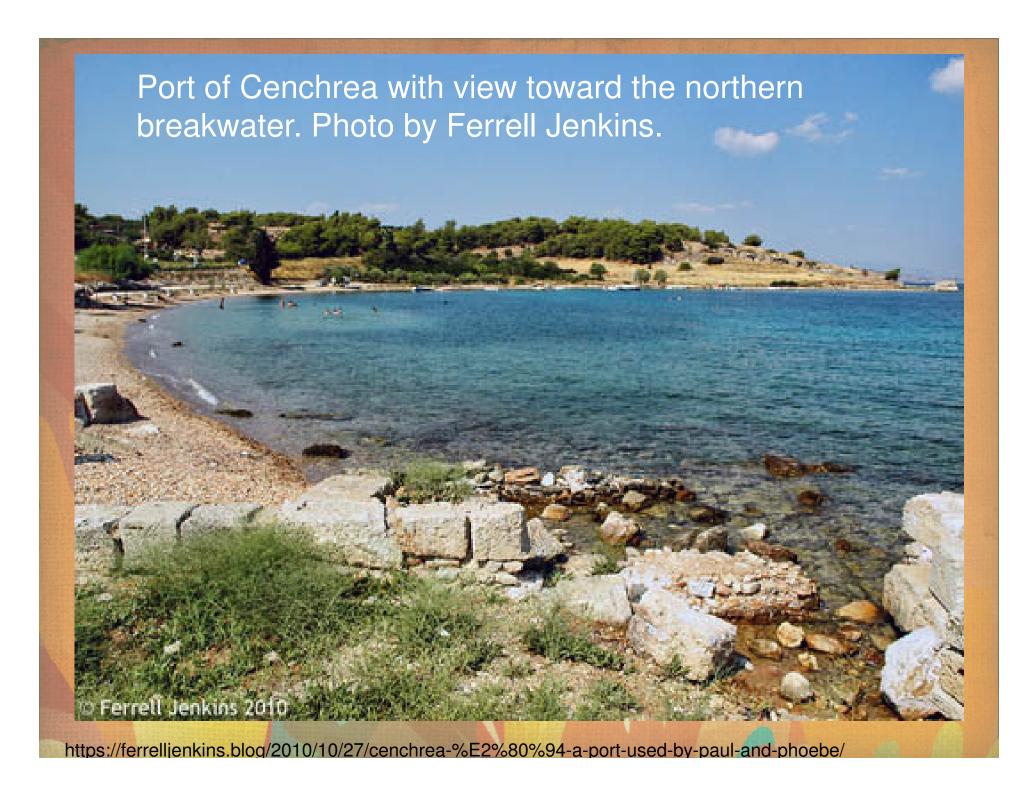
Then they all seized Sosthenes, the leader of the synagogue, and beat him in front of the judge's bench. But none of these things concerned Gallio.

King James Bible

Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him* before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.

1 Cor. 1:1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother,

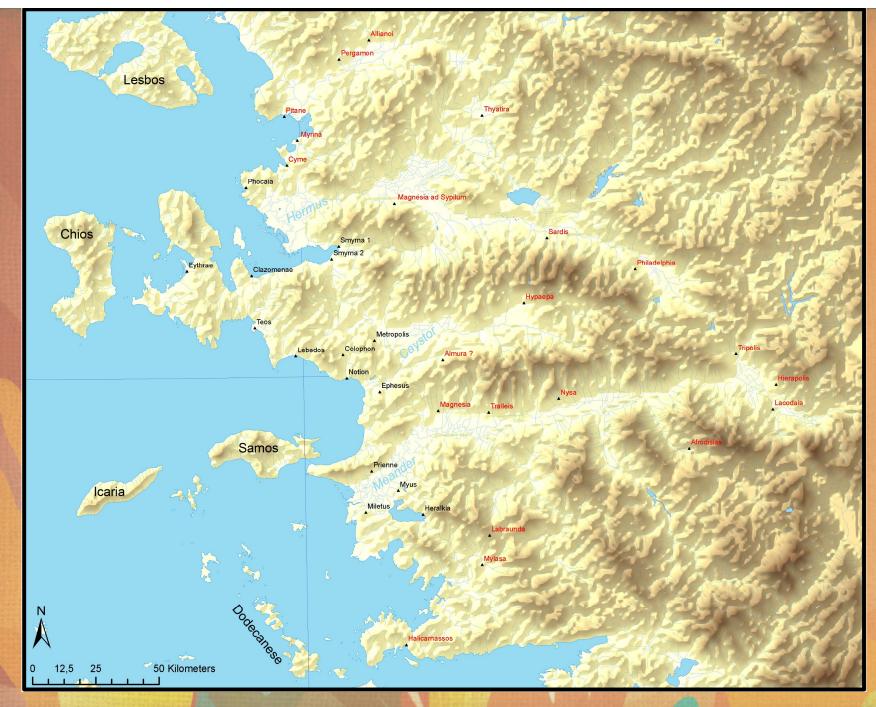
- (c) The Spread of the Gospel, 18:18
- Paul Continued Freely to Labor in Corinth, 18:18a
 "And Paul after this tarried there yet a good while..."
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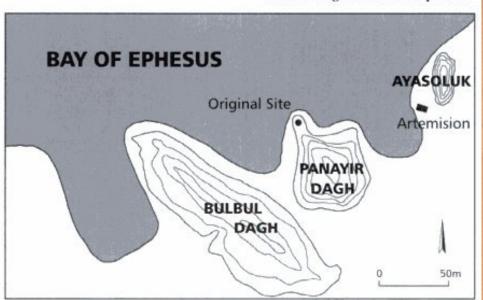
1 Cor. 9:20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;

Rom. 16:1 I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea:

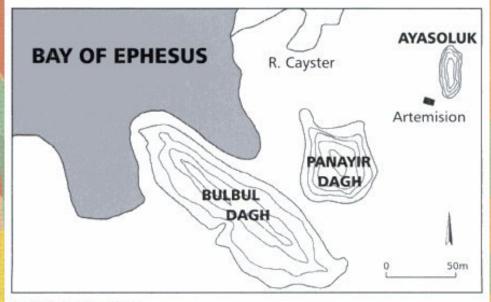
- 2 That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also.
- 3 Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus:
- 4 Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.
- 5 Likewise *greet* the church that is in their house. Salute my wellbeloved Epaenetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.
 - 4. The Future Prospects for Expanding the Work, 18:19-23a
 - a. The Place, 18:19a "And he came to Ephesus..."







At the time of the Ionian settlement

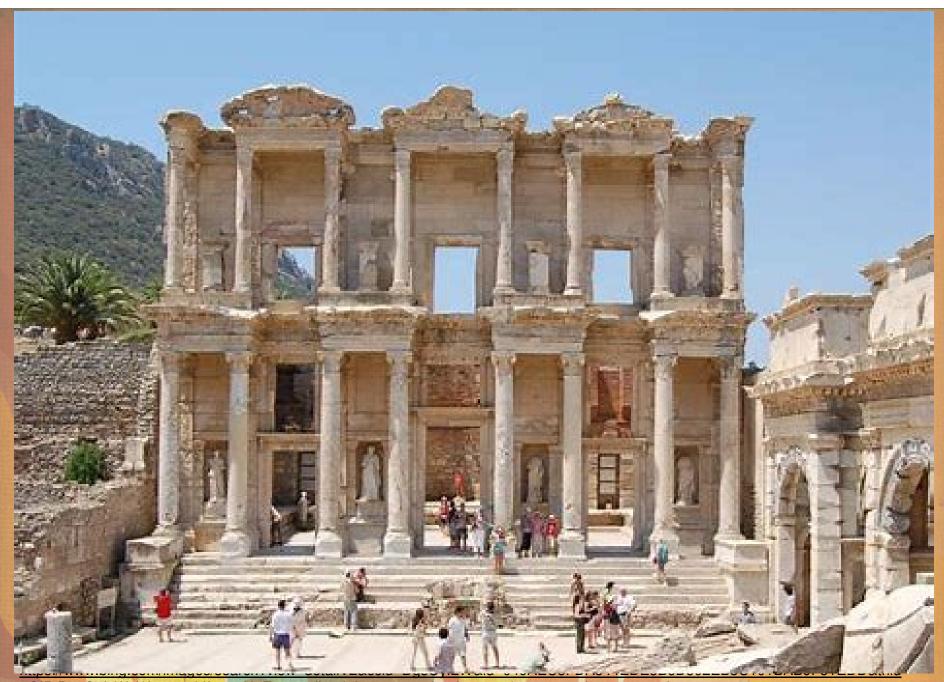


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b. The Plan, 18:19b-21

(1) Placing Sowers in Ephesus, 18:19b "...and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews."

Original Word: διαλέγομαι Transliteration: dialegomai

Definition: I converse, address, preach, lecture; I argue, reason.

Dialégomai – properly, "getting a conclusion across" by exchanging thoughts (logic)

dialégomai ("getting a conclusion across") occurs 13 times in the NT, usually of believers exercising "dialectical reasoning." This is the process of giving and receiving information with someone to reach deeper understanding – a "going back-and-forth" of thoughts and ideas so people can better know the Lord (His word, will). Doing this is perhaps the most telling characteristic of the growing Christian!

[(dialégomai) is the root of the English term, "dialogue."] https://biblehub.com/greek/1256.htm

(2) Planting Seed in Ephesus, 18:20-21

Acts 18:20 When they desired him to tarry longer time with them, he consented not;

21 But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

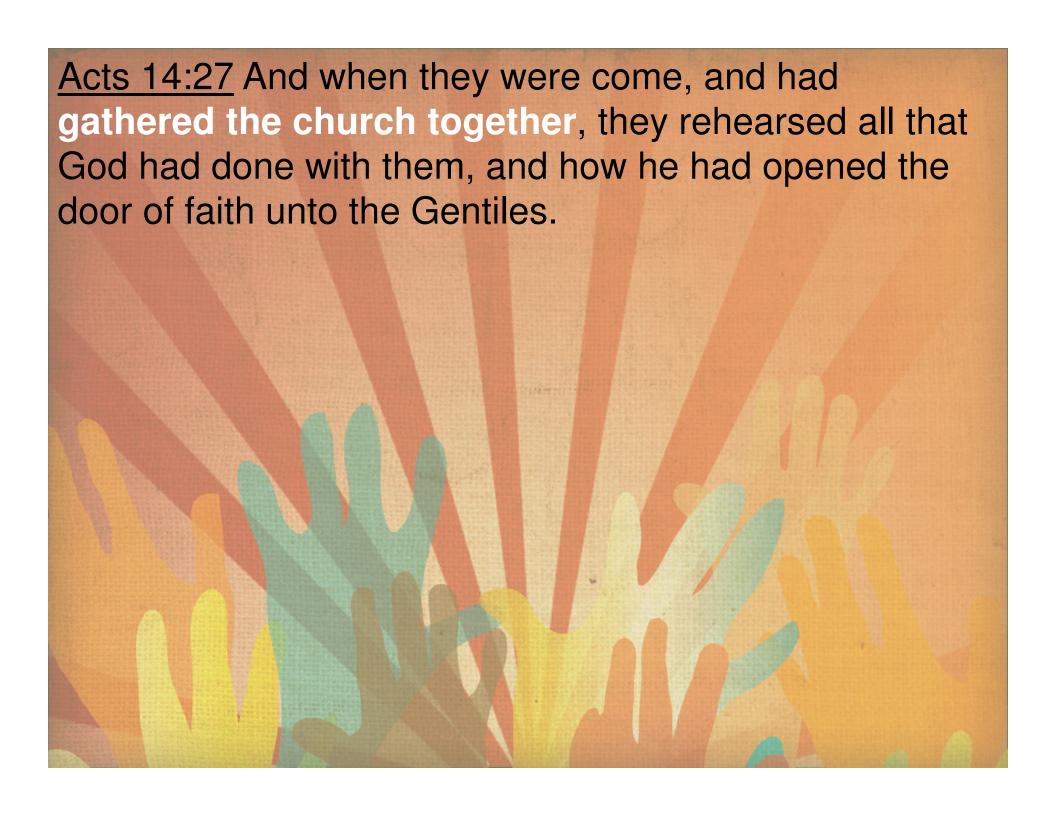
c. The Policy, 18:22-23a

(1) Brotherly Fellowship Can Be Enjoyed Whenever We May, 18:22

Acts 18:22 And when he had landed at Caesarea, and gone up, and saluted the church, he went down to Antioch.

(2) Brief Furloughs Can Be Enjoyed Wherever We Must, 18:23a "And after he had spent some time *there*, he departed..."





Conclusion

1 Cor. 1:16 And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.

1 Cor. 16:15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and *that* they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)

16 That ye submit yourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with us, and laboureth.