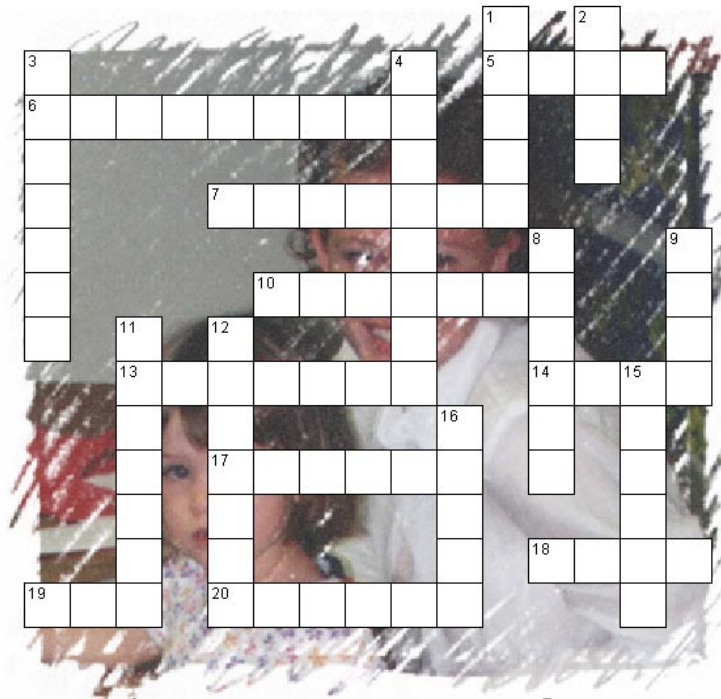


Crossword Puzzle

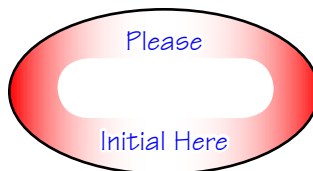


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| 5. Without their warm, ____ home... | 1. The church in Rome met in their ____. |
| 6. Aquila and _____ | 2. Paul and Aquila were ____ makers. |
| 7. God... needs other kinds of people to ____ for the needs of laboring... | 3. When the stayed in ____... |
| 10. Paul met Aquila and Priscilla there. | 4. ...married couples and ____... |
| 13. God used Aquila and Priscilla to gain a man named ____... | 8. ...many saints for the ____ in Corinth. |
| 14. Aquila and Priscilla moved back to ____. | 9. Without their warm, open ____. |
| 17. God needs all kinds of ____. | 11. ...____ couples and families... |
| 18. ...for His ____ in the church. | 12. ...married ____ and families. |
| 19. ____ needs all kinds of people. | 15. Paul and Aquila were tent ____. |
| 20. ...raise up many ____ for the church in Corinth. | 16. God also needs other kinds of people to provide for the ____ of laboring ones like Pau. |

Parent's Initials:



God's Calling in the New Testament

- Lesson Twenty-

In Acts – Aquila and Priscilla

I. Overview.

In the previous lessons we have seen how God called many people as individuals. In this lesson we will see that God also calls couples and families. Certainly God needs many different kinds of people to do the work in the ministry and in the church life. God needs couples and families to provide warm, open homes, full of hospitality and love.



Couples and families are very important in God's work.

God needs and uses couples and families to provide much needed hospitality for many new ones and laboring ones. When Paul was traveling in God's work, it seems he came to Corinth with no money and no place to stay. Paul must have prayed for the Lord to meet his need for the sake of the ministry. The Lord led him to the home of a Jewish couple named Aquila and Priscilla. They had recently come to Corinth from Rome, where they were being persecuted. They allowed Paul to live with them and even work together with them since both Aquila and Paul were tent makers.

II. Memory Verse.

“Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, who risked their own necks for my life..., and greet the church, which is in their house.”

(Rom. 16:3-5)

III. Lesson.

God has the need for all different kinds of people for his work in the church and in the ministry. God needs some, like Paul, to go out and preach the good news of the gospel to people in far away places. God also needs other kinds of people to provide for the needs of laboring ones like Paul.



When Aquila and Priscilla were in Rome the church met in their house.

Aquila and Priscilla

When Paul came to a city in Greece named Corinth, he was likely out of money and had no place to stay. The Lord led him to a couple named Aquila and Priscilla. Aquila and Priscilla provided Paul with a place to stay and food to eat. Without their warm, open home, Paul would not have been able to stay in Corinth and carry out God's work there. Because they opened their home to him, God was able to use Paul to raise up many saints for the church in Corinth.

God needs married couples and families to provide a strong base of open homes for the church. Aquila and Priscilla were this kind of people. Both Paul and Aquila were tent makers, so they worked together to support themselves and others in God's work. Paul stayed with Aquila and Priscilla for one and a half years. Aquila and Priscilla were greatly blessed to have an apostle such as Paul stay in their home. Paul also was blessed that the Lord had provided him such a dear couple to stay with.

Traveling With Paul

When it came time for Paul to leave Corinth, he did not leave alone. Aquila and Priscilla went along with him. The Lord

had knit their hearts together in the fellowship for the gospel. They wanted to accompany Paul and to labor together with him for the spread of the gospel. When they came to Ephesus, God used Aquila and Priscilla to gain a man named Apollos, who eventually became an apostle. When they stayed in Ephesus, the church met in their house.

Later, they moved back to Rome, and again, the church met in their house. Aquila and Priscilla were a very useful couple to the Lord. They were very much loved by all the churches and were very helpful and dear to Paul. We should be very thankful that God has called many couples and families into his church.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. Where did Paul meet Aquila and Priscilla?

2. What kind of trade did Aquila have that the apostle Paul also had?

3. What can a couple or family do for God?

4. In who's home did the church in Ephesus meet?

