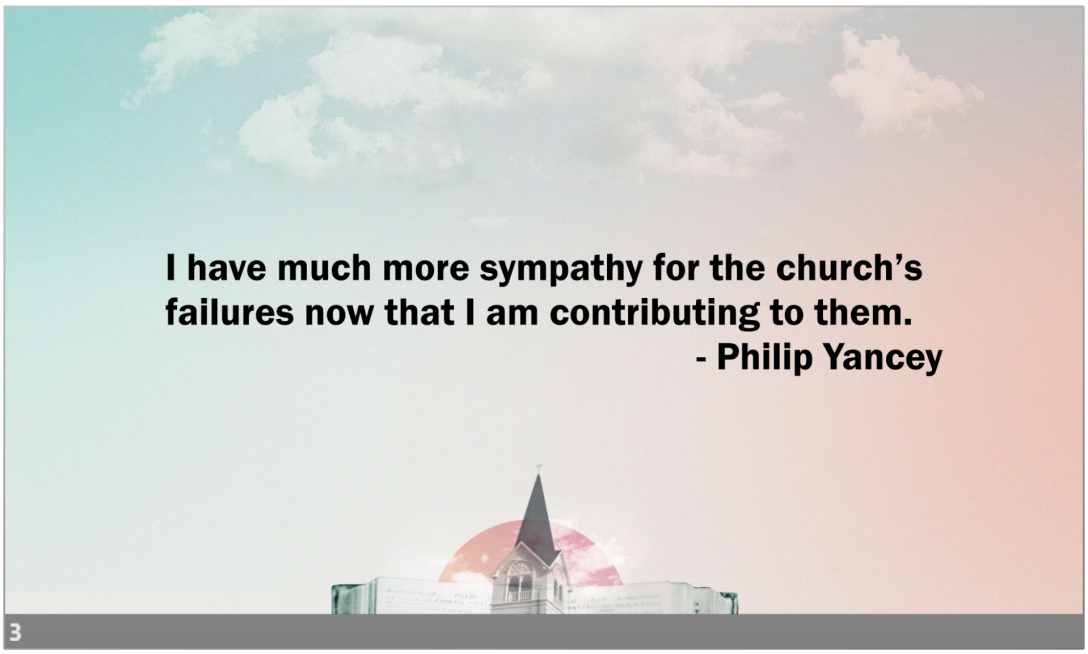
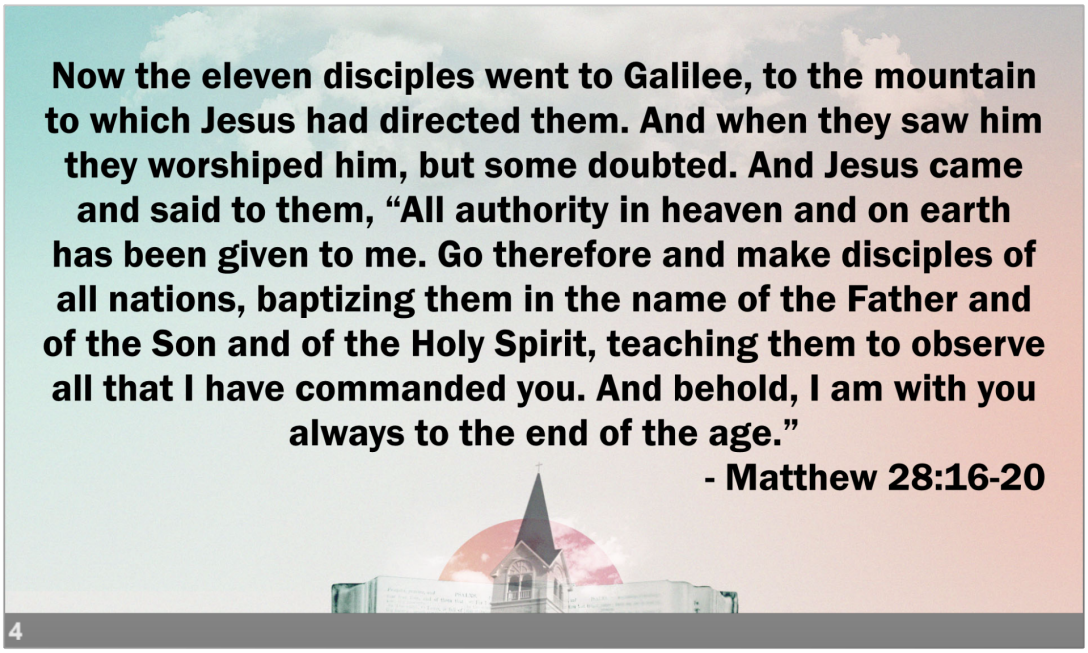
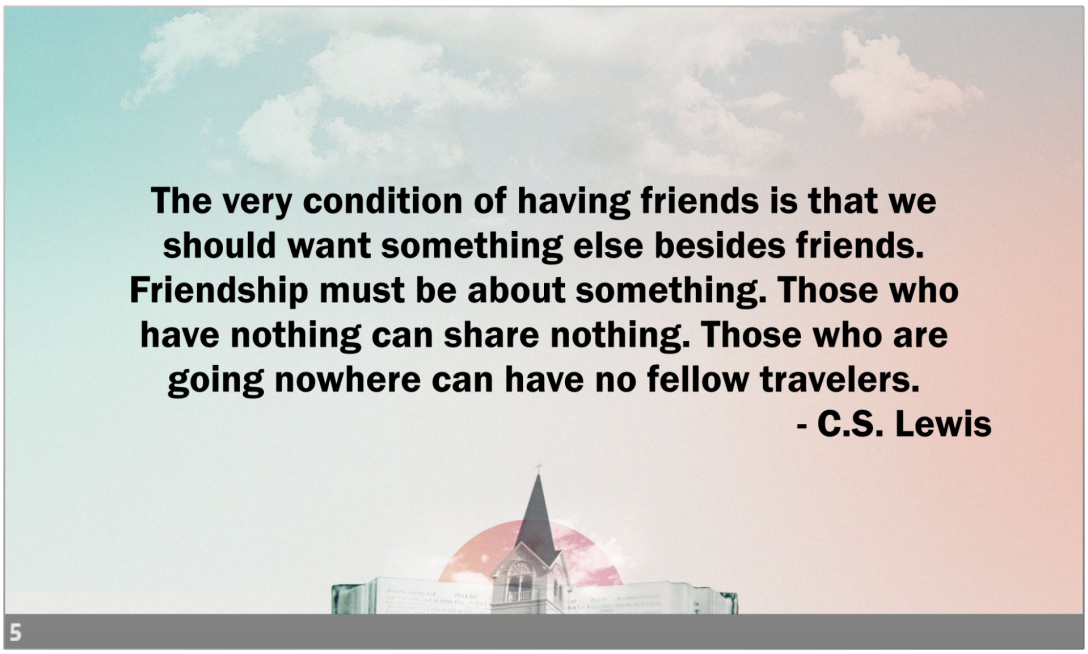
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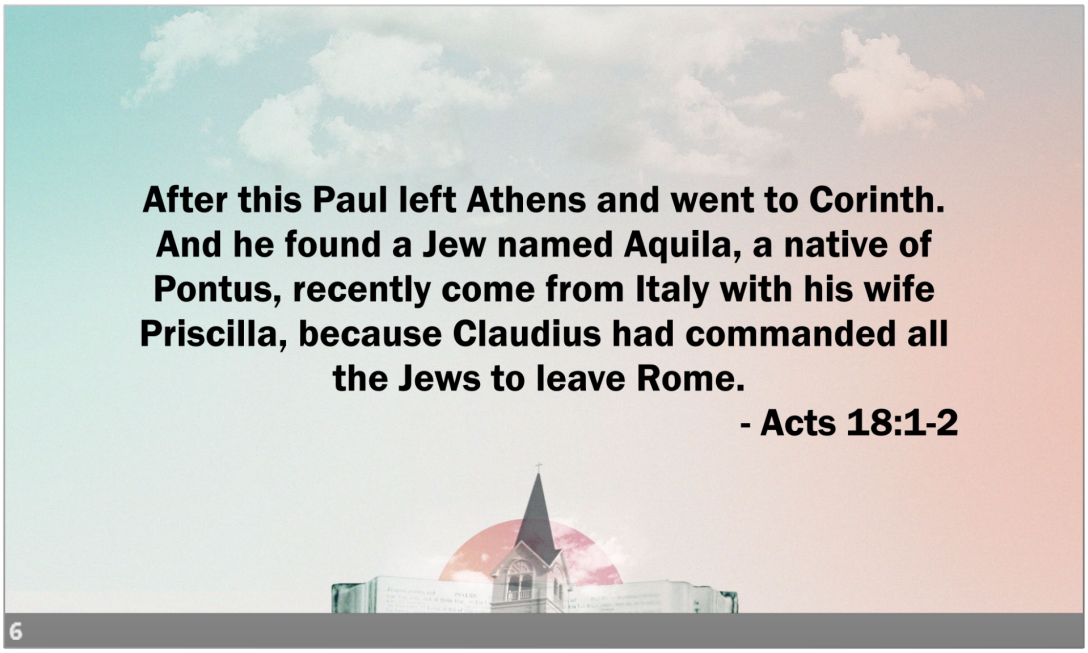

Belonging
WHY CHURCH MATTERS
1 Group

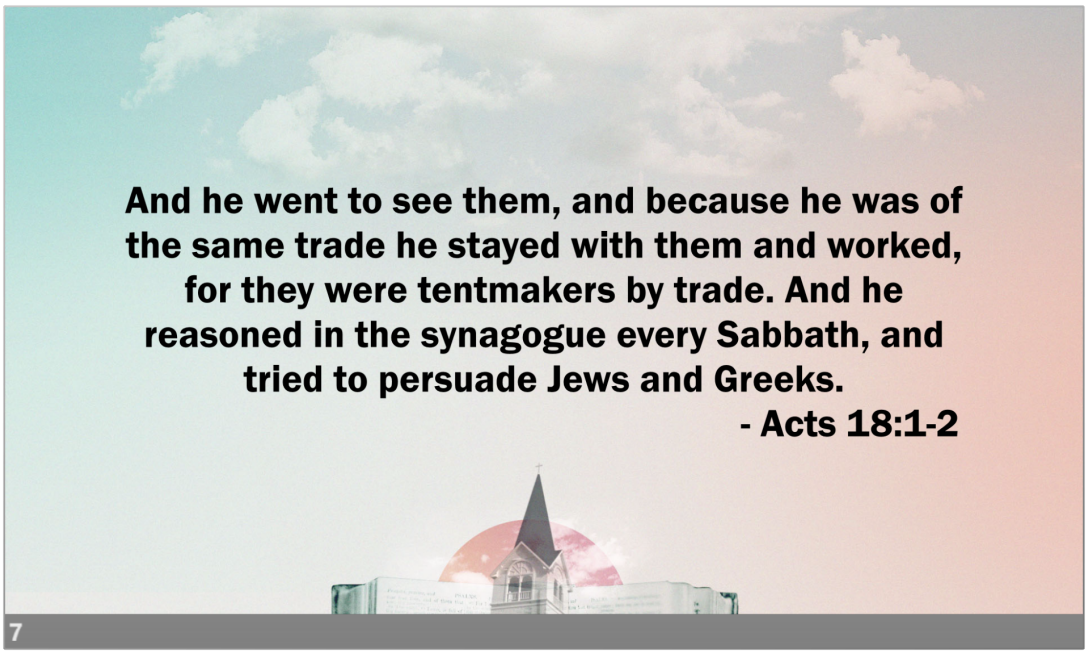

Gospel Intentionality
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I have much more sympathy for the church's failures now that I am contributing to them.
- Philip Yancey
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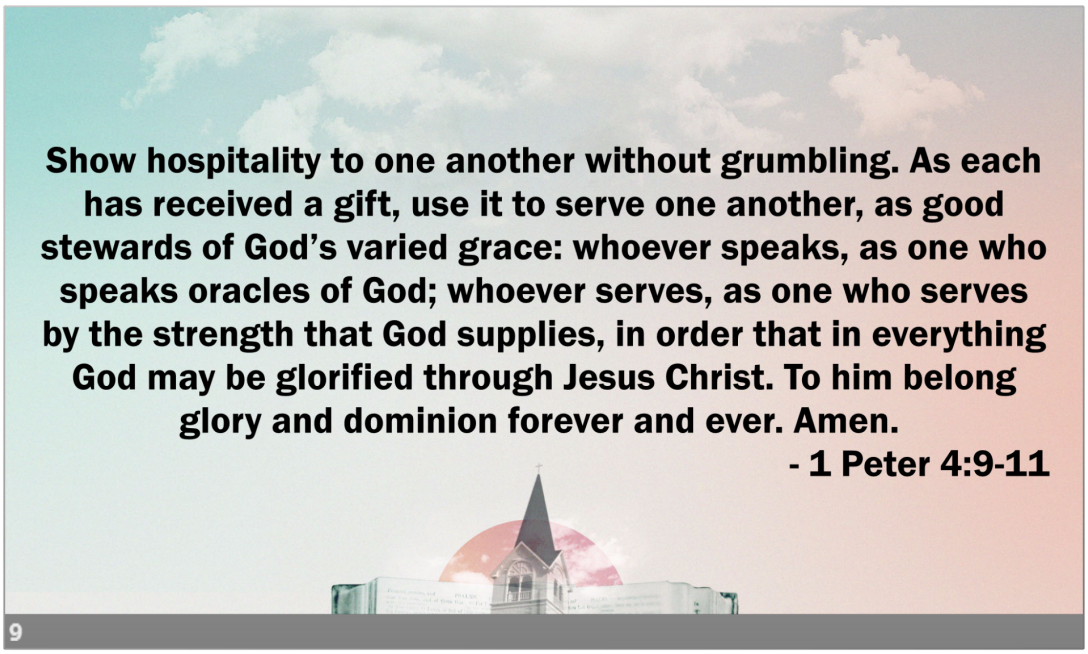

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always to the end of the age."
- Matthew 28:16-20
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The very condition of having friends is that we should want something else besides friends. Friendship must be about something. Those who have nothing can share nothing. Those who are going nowhere can have no fellow travelers.
- C.S. Lewis
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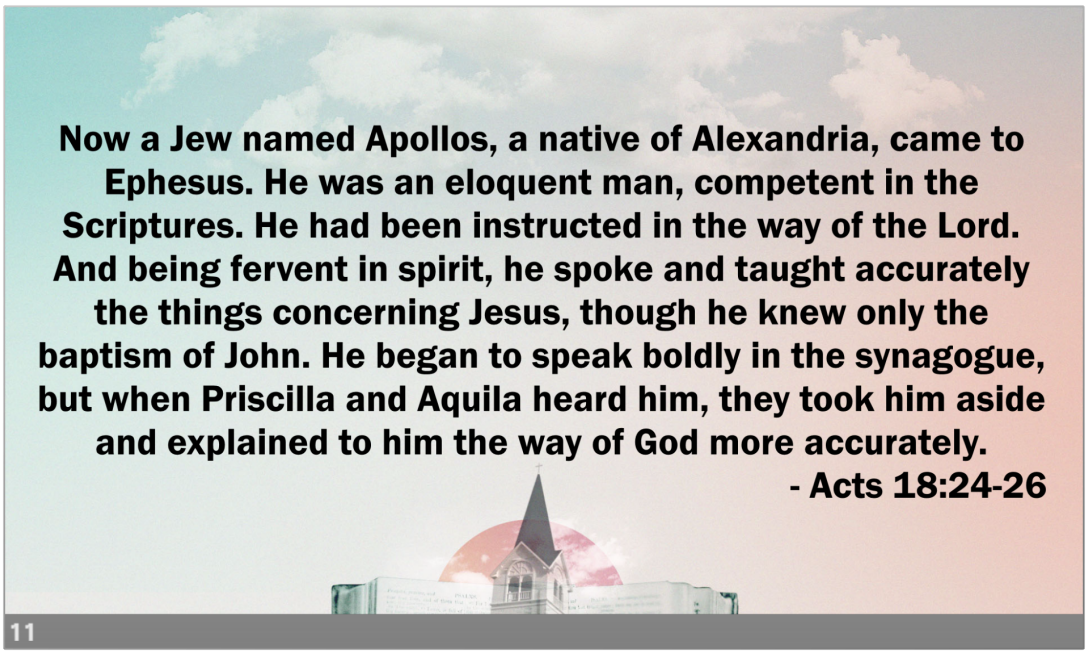

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome.
- Acts 18:1-2
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And he went to see them, and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them and worked, for they were tentmakers by trade. And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and tried to persuade Jews and Greeks.
- Acts 18:1-2
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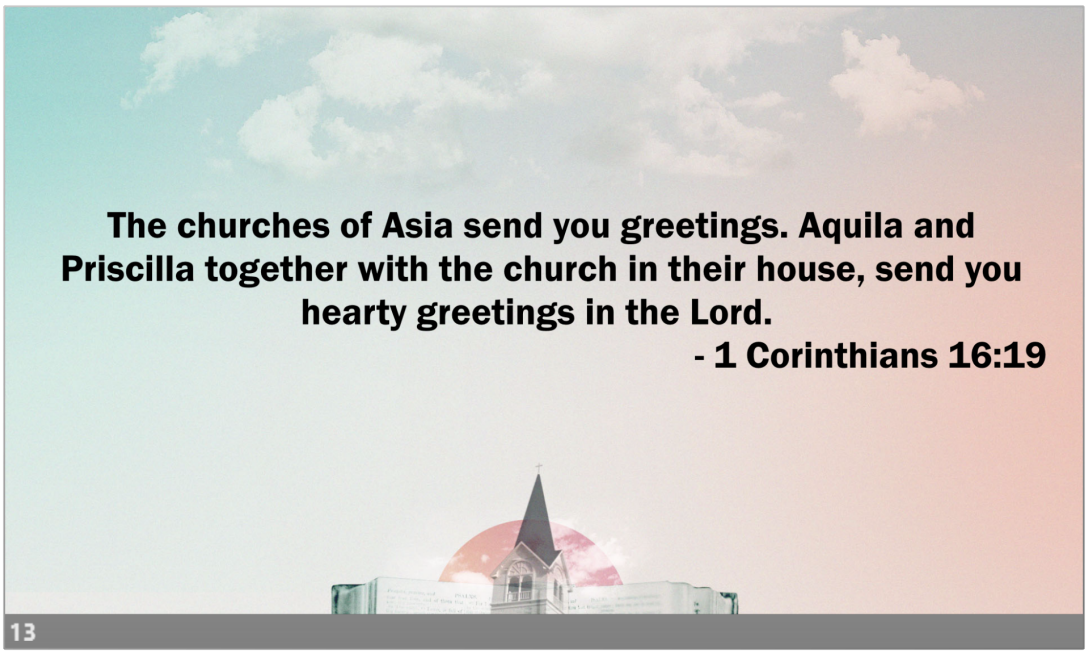

Marks Of Gospel Intentionality
- Hospitable
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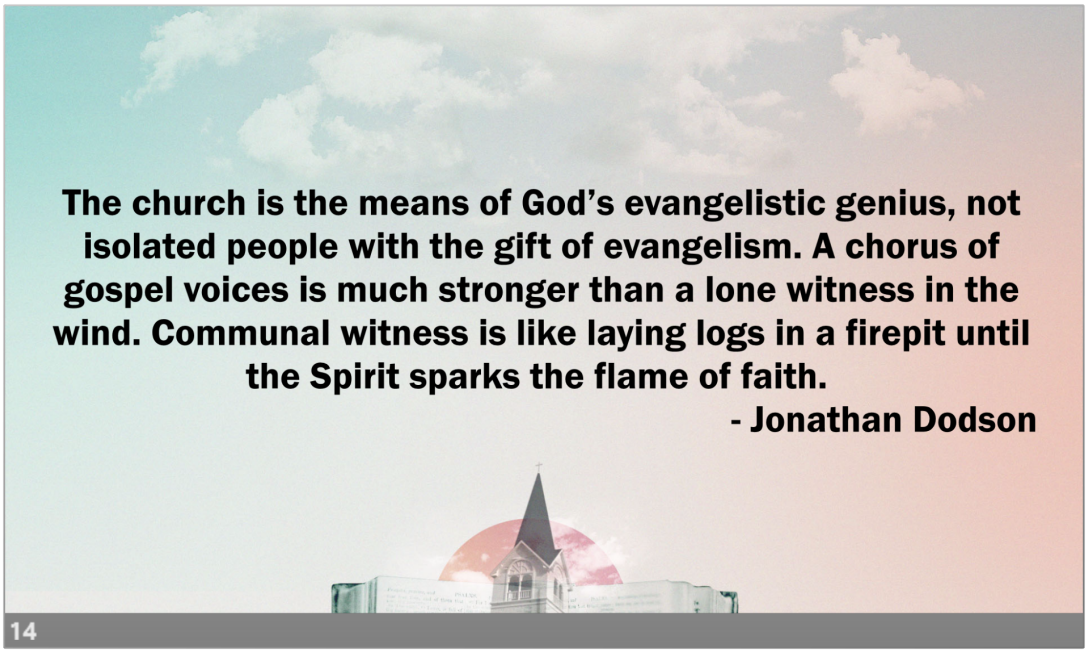

Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies, in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.
- 1 Peter 4:9-11
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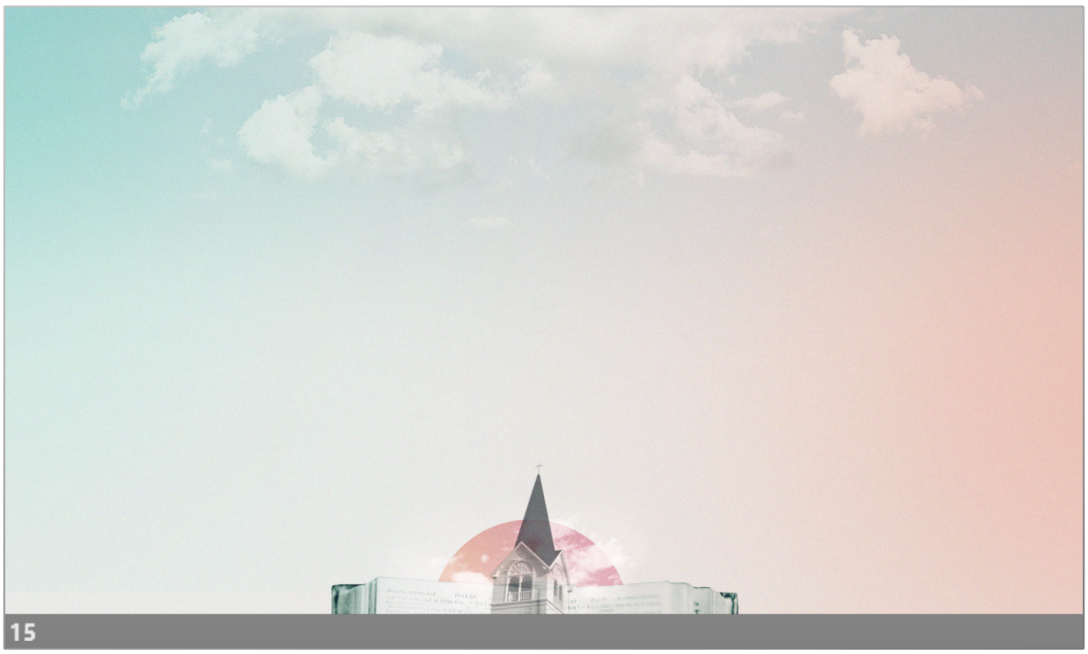

Marks Of Gospel Intentionality
- Available
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Now a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was an eloquent man, competent in the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord. And being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus, though he knew only the baptism of John. He began to speak boldly in the synagogue, but when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately.
- Acts 18:24-26
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Marks Of Gospel Intentionality
- Faithful
12


The churches of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord.
- 1 Corinthians 16:19
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The church is the means of God's evangelistic genius, not isolated people with the gift of evangelism. A chorus of gospel voices is much stronger than a lone witness in the wind. Communal witness is like laying logs in a firepit until the Spirit sparks the flame of faith.
- Jonathan Dodson
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