



THE GOOD
AND THE BAD
THE UGLY

CHARACTER STUDIES

Acts 18:24 – 19:1

²⁴Now a Jew named Apollos, a native Alexandrian, an eloquent man who was competent in the use of the Scriptures, arrived in Ephesus. ²⁵He had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately about Jesus, although he knew only John's baptism.



Acts 18:24 - 19:1

²⁶He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. After Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained the way of God to him more accurately.



Acts 18:24 – 19:1

²⁷When he wanted to cross over to Achaia, the brothers and sisters wrote to the disciples to welcome him. After he arrived, he was a great help to those who by grace had believed. ²⁸For he vigorously refuted the Jews in public, demonstrating through the Scriptures that Jesus is the Messiah.

TWELVE DISCIPLES OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul traveled through the interior regions and came to Ephesus...



1 Corinthians 1:10-17

¹⁰Now I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, that there be no divisions among you, and that you be united with the same understanding and the same conviction. ¹¹For it has been reported to me about you, my brothers and sisters, by members of Chloe's people, that there is rivalry among you.



1 Corinthians 1:10-17

¹²What I am saying is this: One of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

¹³Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in Paul's name?



1 Corinthians 1:10-17

¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶I did, in fact, baptize the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't recall if I baptized anyone else. ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ will not be emptied of its effect.



1 Corinthians 3:1-9

¹For my part, brothers and sisters, I was not able to speak to you as spiritual people but as people of the flesh, as babies in Christ. ²I gave you milk to drink, not solid food, since you were not yet ready for it. In fact, you are still not ready, ³because you are still worldly.



1 Corinthians 3:1-9

....For since there is envy and strife among you, are you not worldly and behaving like mere humans? ⁴For whenever someone says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not acting like mere humans?



1 Corinthians 3:1-9

THE ROLE OF GOD'S SERVANTS

⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? They are servants through whom you believed, and each has the role the Lord has given. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So, then, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.



1 Corinthians 3:1-9

⁸Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. ⁹For we are God's coworkers. You are God's field, God's building.



1 Corinthians 3:18-23

¹⁸Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks he is wise in this age, let him become a fool so that he can become wise. ¹⁹For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God, since it is written, He catches the wise in their craftiness; ²⁰and again, The Lord knows that the reasonings of the wise are futile.



1 Corinthians 3:18-23

²¹So let no one boast in human leaders, for everything is yours—²²whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or things present or things to come—everything is yours, ²³and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.



1 Corinthians 16:12

¹²Now about our brother Apollos: I strongly urged him to come to you with the brothers, but he was not at all willing to come now. However, he will come when he has an opportunity.



Titus 3:12-13

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS AND CLOSING

¹²When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, make every effort to come to me in Nicopolis, because I have decided to spend the winter there.

¹³Diligently help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey, so that they will lack nothing.



Lessons from Apollos



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- Humility



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- Learning



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- Correction



2 Timothy 2:14-17a

AN APPROVED WORKER

¹⁴Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to fight about words. This is useless and leads to the ruin of those who listen. ¹⁵Be diligent to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth. ¹⁶Avoid irreverent and empty speech, since those who engage in it will produce even more godlessness, ¹⁷and their teaching will spread like gangrene.



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- Humility
- Learning
- Correction
- Essentials



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