

THE BOOK OF  
**ACTS**

**Wholly Devoted to the Lord**  
**Acts 18:18-28**

Pastor Joey Rozek

**8 - Paul "had his hair cut off at Cenchreae  
for he had taken a vow"**

**Paul got a holy haircut and made a serious  
commitment in prayer.**

**- Grk. "euche" - a prayer or petition to  
in voluntary obligation**

**...WHY DID HE DO THIS?**

# **IN the World...But Not OF the World**

**17:14-16** I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. **They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.**

**Moody was once asked to describe what  
ought the relationship between the church  
the world ought to be.**

**Moody answered, "The place for the ship is in  
but God help the ship if the sea gets into**

# **The Vow of a Nazarite**

**or Separation and Special Consecration to God**

**ould involve:**

**Abstaining from all things from the grapevine**

**avoiding coming near a dead body.**

**allowing the hair to grow freely. (Then cut off at**

**ceremony in the temple)**

**Lord wants us to be HOLY and WHOLLY**

**world has yet to see what God can do  
for and through and in a man who is full  
and wholly consecrated to Him."**

**– Henry Varley talking to D. L. Moody**

**one early morning in Dublin when men gathered  
for a season of special prayer, confession,  
and renewed consecration.**

# **STRENGTHENING ALL THE DISCIPLES**

can **love** all my brethren in manner worthy of  
can **pray** for all my brethren and intercede for  
can **teach** the Word so that they grow and ma  
can **serve** them and meet their practical need  
can **disciple** individual believers and build the

**Paul's heart was for ALL the breth**

# **St. Patrick**

**English/Scotsman, who after being enslaved had a dream calling him back to Ireland as a missionary**

**In his Confession, Patrick wrote:**

**In the depth of the night, I saw a man named Victor coming as if from Ireland, with innumerable letters. He gave me one and while I was reading I thought I heard the voice of those near the western sea call out, "Please, holy boy, come and walk among us again." My cry pierced my very heart, and I could read no more and so I awoke."**

**Patrick returned to Ireland.**



# APOLLOS

born at Alexandria, North Africa

eloquent and Mighty in the Scriptures

was instructed in the way of the Lord

abundant in spirit

spoke and taught accurately the things of the Lord

**1 Cor. 3:5-6** Who then is Paul, and **who is Apollos**

ministers through whom you believed, as though we

gave to each one? I planted, **Apollos watered**

but God gave the increase.

# **The Distinction between His WAYS vs His ACTS**

**Psalm 103:7** He made known **His ways** to Moses  
**His acts** to the children of Israel.

**ZEAL** - Grk. "zeo" - to be hot, boil with  
zeal for what is good

This word is where we get "BEING ON FIRE"  
for the Lord.

**1:18** But it is good to be zealous in a good  
ways, and not only when I am present with

# **SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS and BLINDSPOTS**

**Matthew 6:39-42** And He spoke a parable to them: **Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into the ditch? A disciple is not above his teacher; everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher.** And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the plank in your own eye?

**Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck that is in your brother's eye.**

# Certain Things Worth Fighting For:

**Truth**, especially when it pertains to a person's understanding of God.

**Integrity**, especially when it has to do with where we place our trust.

**The Church**, especially in an age where people could take or leave the church.

**Widowed ones**, especially when they are threatened in some way.

**The Lost**, especially when we consider the outcome of their judgment.

# CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

3 Beloved, while I was very diligent to write concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to you exhorting you to **contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints**

3 endeavoring to **keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

**4:14** "...Do not be afraid of them. Remember that the Lord is great and awesome, and **fight for your brethren, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your household.**

THIS WEEK

# ACTS IN ACTION

## CHALLENGE POINT:

**Consecrate ALL the areas of your life to the Lord.  
Consider ALL those around you to strengthen them.  
and earnestly for the faith with ALL your breath.**

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