

Marinating in God's Word: Acts 19:1-17

Sent! They were and we are. So we're learning from Acts about what it means to be sent by Jesus, with Jesus' people, to do Jesus' work, in the power of Jesus' Spirit! For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- What is missing from the understanding of disciples in Ephesus? How does this reflect the teaching they received from Apollos (see Acts 18:24-26)? How does Paul correct them?
- Have you ever had a time when your understanding of God's truth grew, a gap was filled in, or a misunderstanding was corrected? What happened? Did God use other people in that process?
- If you were Paul, what would you say to these disciples to explain what they are missing?
- When the disciples in Ephesus learn the rest of the story, they are baptized in the name of Jesus. What happens when Paul lays hands on them? What is the significance of the laying on of hands?
- When have you experienced the Holy Spirit moving in power? What happened? What was it like?
- How have you encountered God's persistent grace that grows us in knowledge and obedience? How is God calling you to invite others into this grace?

Next week our focus will be on Acts 9:23-41.