

Great Risk for the Great Commission

Acts 18:1–11

Big Idea: We are called to take great risks for the Great Commission and the pursuit of great joy. When you are called to speak truth in a tough place, remember...

I. The Value of Christian Community (vv. 1–4)

- Paul arrives in Corinth
- God provides Aquila and Priscilla
- Gospel ministry is never meant to be done alone

Key Truth:

God strengthens His servants through Christ-centered friendships.

Application:

- Pursue intentional Christian community.
- Lock arms with fellow believers in gospel ministry.

II. The Temptation to Quit Prematurely (vv. 5–8)

- Paul faithfully proclaims Jesus as the Christ
- Opposition and rejection increase
- Some believe—but many reject

Key Truth:

Faithfulness is measured by obedience, not immediate results.

Application:

- Expect opposition.
- Keep speaking the gospel.
- Leave the results to God.

III. The Reality of God's Sovereignty(vv. 9–11)

Jesus encourages Paul:

- "Do not be afraid."
- "Go on speaking."
- "Do not be silent."
- "I am with you."
- "I have many in this city who are my people."

Key Truth:

God's sovereign purpose gives us confidence in gospel ministry.

Application:

- Christ is with us.
- God already has people He intends to save.
- Therefore, preach the gospel boldly.

Closing Challenge

Will you pray for our family and our church planting team as we take great risks for the Great Commission in St. Mary's and the surrounding area?

"The sovereignty of God in grace gives us our only hope of success in evangelism. It should make us bold." — J. I. Packer