

RIVERSIDE ANGLICAN CHURCHES
QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION OR REFLECTION

Acts 18:23-20:38

1. Has your understanding of the gospel changed much since you first believed? (Think of the first year you believed and the most recent one)

Read Acts 18:23-19:20

2. What was John's baptism all about? How is Jesus baptism different?
3. What's the difference between handkerchief healings and the failed attempts by the sons of Sceva?
4. At this point, what is it that is most important for people to understand about the gospel? What have people been missing?

Read Acts 19:21-41

5. Why are the people of Ephesus concerned about the message of the gospel? (Two answers at least!!!)
6. Can you think of instances where believing the gospel could cost someone financially?
7. Are there jobs that Christians shouldn't do?

Read Acts 20:17-38

8. What does Paul consider to be his ministry style? What did he consider was most important about his years of ministry in Ephesus?
9. In v24, How can Paul speak so lowly about his own life and happiness? Does he have self esteem issues?
10. What gives your life meaning and purpose? Should we share at all in Pauls self denial? What would that look like for you?
11. In what ways should our ministry be similar to that of Paul in Ephesus? And in what ways should it look different?
12. What do you think will be the biggest challenges for the church in Ephesus after Paul leaves?
13. What do you think are the biggest challenges for our church today?