

For the week of March 12, 2017
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A United Front

24th week in the series *Sent: Living the Mission of the Church*

Acts 17: 16-34

Paul travels to Corinth and attempts to persuade the local Jews that the Messiah is Jesus. His message is met with significant opposition in the synagogue, enough so that he makes a new plan—to take the Gospel to the Gentiles in the city. Paul will stay in Corinth for a year and a half, even as Jewish opposition intensifies. How will he withstand those who want to harm him?

Discussion Questions:

1. Consider all of the people Paul had supporting him in Corinth—Aquila and Priscilla, Silas and Timothy, Titius Justus, Crispus and his entire household, and other unnamed converts. Now consider your own call as a sent disciple of Jesus. Who do you have supporting your mission? How has their support helped you to continue?
2. What kind of opposition have you experienced as a sent disciple?
3. When faced with opposition, did you give up or change your strategy? What might you learn from your past experiences?
4. What might you learn from Paul's example of responding to opposition?
5. The Lord makes several promises to Paul during his mission work in Corinth (verses 9-10). Which of these promises do you experience as a sent disciple?