

# I Corinthians Introduction





What kind of place was  
Corinth?

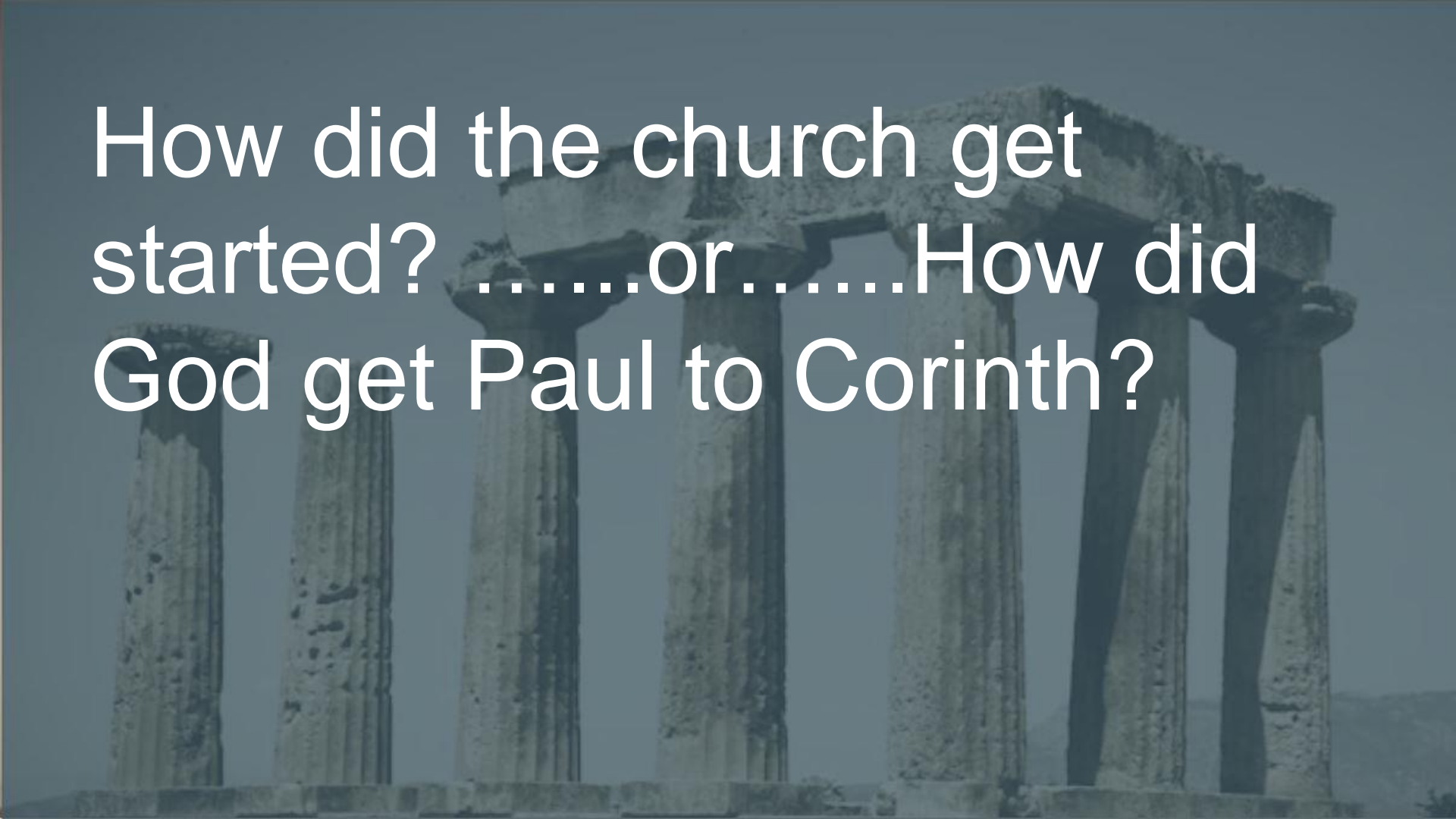
It is much like our country is  
today!

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1 Cor 1:1 “To the church of  
God that is in Corinth”

In this sin-filled city  
God has His church

Acts 18: 9 [*Paul was in Corinth*] And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, "Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, 10 for *I am with you*, and no one will attack you to harm you, for *I have many in this city who are my people*." 11 And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.



How did the church get started? .....or.....How did God get Paul to Corinth?



God Leads Us

Because HE has a purpose





GREECE

THESSALONICA

BEREA

PHILIPPI

TROAS

ATHENS

CORINTH

ASIA

God has a PLAN ---but---he  
uses a man or woman







Paul had just run away from  
persecution at Thessalonica

**(Coincidence or a God  
thing?)**



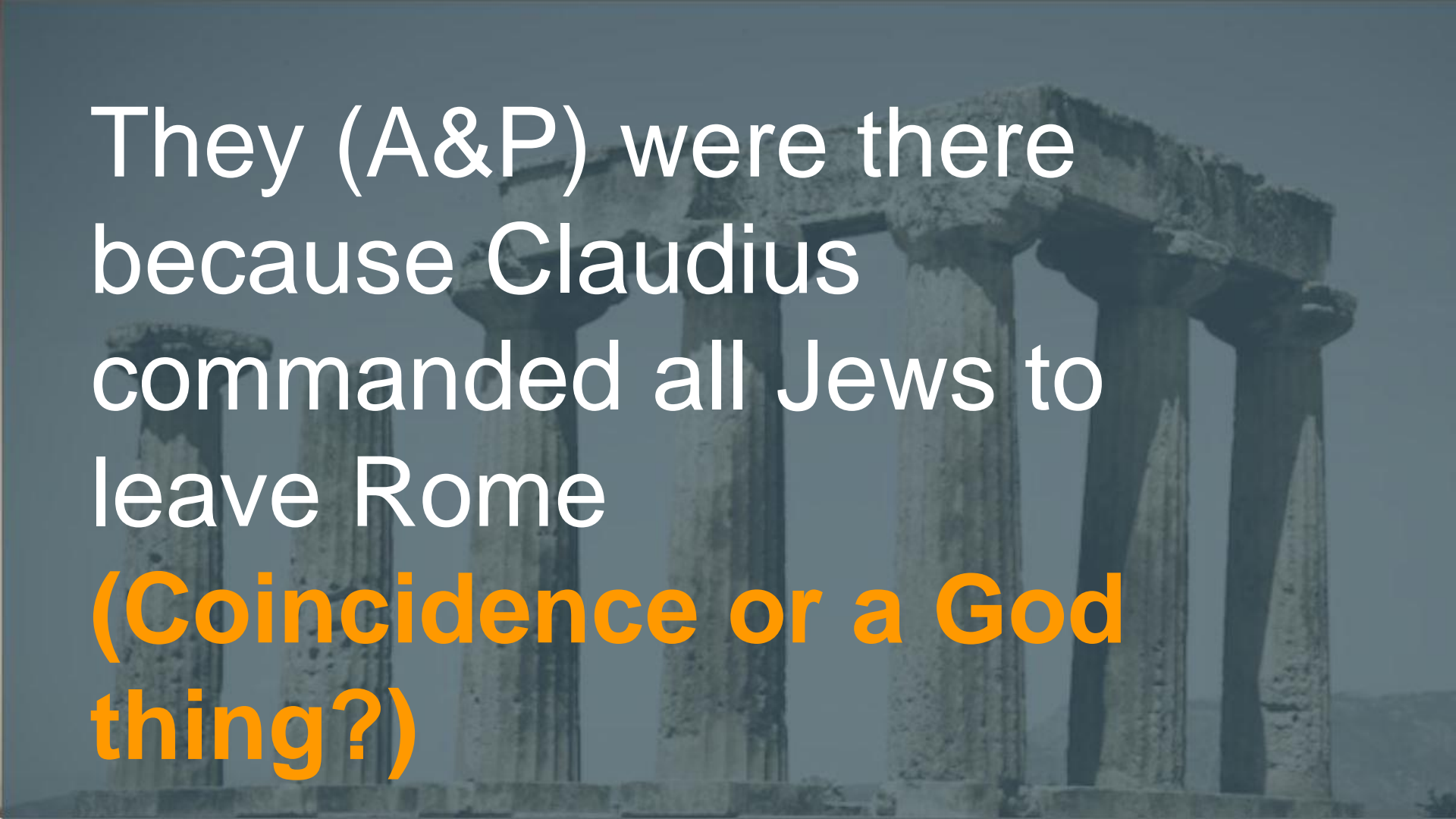
# Paul “found” Aquila and Priscilla

**(Coincidence or a God thing?)**

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They were in the same trade  
as Paul

**(Coincidence or a God  
thing?)**



They (A&P) were there  
because Claudius  
commanded all Jews to  
leave Rome

**(Coincidence or a God  
thing?)**

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God often closes one door to  
open another **BETTER** door

Opposition in the synagogue,  
so he moved next door -  
many got saved

The background of the image shows the ruins of an ancient Greek temple, likely the Temple of Apollo at Delphi. Several tall, fluted columns stand in a row, supporting a partially collapsed entablature. The scene is set against a clear, light blue sky. The overall image has a semi-transparent dark blue overlay.

I HAVE MANY IN THIS CITY  
WHO ARE MY PEOPLE

I hope you can see that THIS  
is what God was after ALL  
ALONG



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God intervenes - even into  
secular affairs

**Paul stayed many days  
longer**

Our prayer today

May we “see” our culture  
through the eyes of Christ



# Our prayer today

May we “see” ourselves as  
HE sees us, and learn to  
walk with Christ in the  
midst of a corrupt culture



Our prayer today

**May WE be the Pauls,  
Aquilas and Priscillas of  
our day - so that the many  
who are HIS may be saved**