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**“Led to stay”**

**Introduction/Explanation:**

**Our Study of Acts 18:5-11 with applications and observations.**

Ezekiel 33:1-4; Matthew 28:18-20; 1John 4:18.

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**Application: Salvation is completely God’s work in an individual. Baptism is an act of obedience by an individual that symbolizes the inward reality of salvation and forgiveness through outward means.**

**Observation: We never will know who will believe as we present the Gospel to people. We only know that people truly are saved through God the Holy Spirit’s transformation of their lives. Changed lives are the evidence! If a life does not change, there may be no salvation, no forgiveness.**

**Conclusion: God the Holy Spirit led Paul from the Roman province of Asia across the sea to Macedonia, where God the Holy Spirit led him to various cities for short times until leading him to remain in the strategically placed commercial city of Corinth for long-term evangelism.**

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