

## Let's Be Honest About Discouragement

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Acts 18:1-17

Dealing with Discouragement:

- I. Let's stop pretending - we are all affected with the reality of our **humanity**.
  - Paul's humanity was demonstrated by the fact that he was subject to **loneliness** (v.1).
  - Paul's humanity was revealed by his reaction to **opposition** (v.4-6).
  - Paul's humanity is made relevant to us in that he experienced **fear** (v.9).
- II. Let's keep on going: We must remember that we have been touched by **Divinity**.
  - God provides **companions**. (v.2)
  - God provides **support** (v.5)
  - God provides **practical needs** (v.7a)
  - God provides the **converts** (7a-8)
  - God provides **protection** (v.12-17)
  - God provides **himself** (v.9-11)

Take this with you:

- When (not if) you get weary and afraid on your journey with Jesus it is only because you are **human**.
- It is not a failure to be afraid; it is only a failure if **fear stops you**.