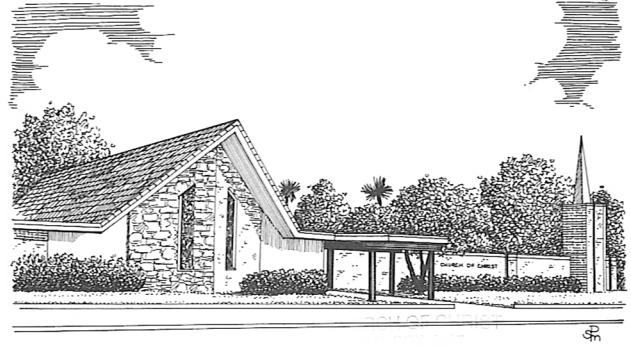


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“An Eloquent Man”

In Acts 18:24-28, we read of a Jewish Christian by the name of Apollos, born in the Egyptian seaport of Alexandria. According to the inspired writer, Luke, Apollos was “an eloquent man, mighty in the Scriptures” (Acts 18:24 – KJV). Paul mentions Apollos several times in his first letter to the brethren in Corinth as a fellow laborer highly regarded among the disciples (cf. 1 Corinthians 1:12; 1 Corinthians 3:4-6; 1 Corinthians 3:22; 1 Corinthians 4:6; 1 Corinthians 16:12; Titus 3:13).

Obviously, Apollos knew God’s word and was able to speak and teach the Word enthusiastically and accurately (Acts 18:25). But what does it mean when Luke says Apollos was “an eloquent man?” What qualities does the word “eloquent” suggest to us?

Lyman Beecher (a noted denominational speaker), once observed that “eloquence is logic on fire.” That is about as complete a definition of the word as could be packed into a five-word statement. Note that Mr. Beecher’s definition attributes two components to eloquence: **(1) logic**, and **(2) fire**.

Most of us couldn’t logically argue with someone about the relative merits of plutonium versus uranium as fuel for a nuclear reactor, because most of us know very little about nuclear physics. However, there are other subjects we can discuss logically, because we have sufficient knowledge about those subjects to converse about them.

As “an eloquent man,” Apollos possessed more than logic – he also had “fire.” We recall the apostles, “spoke the word of God with boldness” (Acts 4:31 – NKJV), and it was in part that boldness that made an impression on those who heard them (Acts 4:13). Let’s think about the last time we were convinced by another’s argument. Was that argument expounded to us in indistinct and uncertain tones (1 Corinthians 14:7-8), or with “fervor” and “fire?” Let us pray that God continues to raise up eloquent people, preaching and teaching the gospel to the world with great logic and fire!

adapted from an article by Mike Riley via gewatkins.net

We have a commitment, empowered by the Holy Spirit,
To give glory to God
To be unified in reaching others
To be living witnesses for Christ

*Welcome to the
Palm Springs Church of Christ*



A warm and sincere welcome to one and all! It is a genuine privilege to gather as God's people to open ourselves to the presence of God and to praise God with loving hearts.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. (Ephesians 6:18)."

Pray for our Church family:

Please continue to pray for the improved health of: Mae Britton, Lynette Brink, Sue Collins, Byron Isaac, Brenda Jones, Roy McDonald, Dail Paramore, and Francis Pati.

Prayers for our Family & Friends:

Please continue prayers for Nilene's brother, Wayne Duncan who continues to recover from surgery, for David's brother Steve who is recovering from knee surgery; for Amy Miller's father as he continues to recover from a stroke, for Tammy D'Arcy as she continues treatment for breast cancer. Pray for the improved health of: Keith and Lisa Britton, Kerry Britton, Kathy's husband Kevin, Mary Fields, Derek Fields, Dail's friends Marie C. and Teddy K.

First Responders Please keep those who are serving their communities in your prayers: Alisha K (EMT), Joanna Carter (Nurse), Luther Carter (Naval Officer), Jody Huggins and Jory Huggins (Patrol Officers).

Military:

Jeff Mercer's son-in-law Brandon Deusinbury, Kathy's family T. Burgess and T. Cairo.

Prayer Warriors Corner

My Heavenly Father, help me to be honest about my weaknesses. May I recognize my constant need for Your strength. Thank You for empowering me by Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Power For Today: Robert P. Lee

Read: John 18:12-27

News & Notes:

Please continue to keep Mae in your prayers as she continues to struggle with shingles.

Potluck Sunday! Our next potluck is scheduled for November 3rd following worship service, please join us for this time of fellowship. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert.

The Community Food Bank: Peanut Butter and Ramen packs are where the greatest need is at this time. Other non-perishable items are: soups, canned vegetables, canned beans, 1 lb. packs of rice or beans, canned tomatoes, canned pasta sauce and quart size storage bags. Thank you for your continued support, your donation is greatly appreciated.

In Search of the Lord's Way

Watch excellent Bible-based messages every Sunday, 7:30 a.m., on KCWQ, VHF channel 2 or UHF channel 26. Also Available ANY TIME online with You Tube. Just enter: SearchTVMinistry and pick a sermon.

Scripture Reading: Acts 18:24-28

Meanwhile a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he spoke with great fervor and taught about Jesus accurately, though he knew only the baptism of John. He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately.

When Apollos wanted to go to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples there to welcome him. On arriving, he was a great help to those who by grace had believed. For he vigorously refuted the Jews in public debate, proving from the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ.

Sermon Title: "Can you trust a smooth talker?"

Birthdays:

Mario Fuentes: 10/1

Bible Study: Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service: Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.

Worship Order

Welcome/Opening Prayer

574: Oh, How I Love Jesus (1-3)

324: Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed? (1,2 & 4)

Communion & Offering: Luke 22:19-20

450: Give Me the Bible (1-3)

Brief Intermission

452: Standin on the Promises (1,2 & 4)

Sermon

902: Nothing But the Blood (1-3)

Announcements & Closing Prayer

Sermons on line: For the most recent locally recorded sermon, simply go the Palm Springs Church of Christ webpage and click on the "sermons" category at the top of the page.

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