Couples Serving God

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INTRODUCTION

- This couple is not typically considered to be a Mount Rushmore couple of the Bible.
- They were just ordinary and regular folks. They were just a bunch of average Joes who, despite their averageness, they serve the Lord and accomplish remarkable things for his glory.
- There are at least four things that this couple, Aquila and Priscilla, did in their service to God.

1 They Worked

Acts 18:1–3; 2 Thessalonians 3:10; Colossians 3:22–24

- They worked, they had a job. That's the first thing we learn about them.
- God, all the way back in the beginning made a man to work.
- Whatever you do your work heartily as for who? The Lord. Rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance.
- The Bible says the work we do on our jobs is first and foremost for the Lord.
- When Christians work hard on their jobs and with the right attitude, they do as Jesus says in Matthew 5, verse 16, and they shine their lights.
- They show their children their work is good. And it is honorable and it is right and it's rewarding.

2 They Helped Other Christians Grow

Acts 18:24–28

- But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside. They took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately.
- The Bible says they took him aside privately and they helped him. They taught him.
- They patiently and gently explained to him the way of God more accurately.
- It's a lot harder to see a newly converted person doing something not right, saying something not right, and ask them to have a cup of coffee with you.
- We need more couples who, whenever they notice a new Christian doing something wrong, or saying something not quite right, or needing to grow in a particular area, they step up and help.
- They help their brother, they help their sister, they invest time studying with them and praying with them.

3 They Were Fellow Workers in the Kingdom

Romans 16:3–5; 1 Corinthians 16:19

- Greet Prisca, that's Priscilla, and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus.
- They were fellow workers, they were active workers in the kingdom.

- Priscilla and Aquila used their home to provide a place of assembly for Christians to worship God. They use their home to practice hospitality.
- They would not be a couple here at South Bumby who will be content with just filling a pew on Sunday.
- They will be a couple who rolled up their sleeves and got on their knees and served God's people.
- Priscilla and Aquila had jobs. They had jobs just like we had jobs, but they never let their jobs get in the way of them working for the Lord.

4 They Had a Godly Marriage

2 Timothy 4:19; 1 Timothy 1:3

- Every time Priscilla and Aquila are mentioned in the Bible, they're always mentioned together.
- They're always mentioned as serving the Lord as a couple.
- Even though they're back in Ephesus, they're still together. They're still side by side.
- It's also about having a relationship where two people are willing to endure hardship together.
- Couples today, right here, can serve the Lord by just having a godly marriage. By just striving to put God at the center of your marriage.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **The question is: are you serving God this morning?**

MY NOTES