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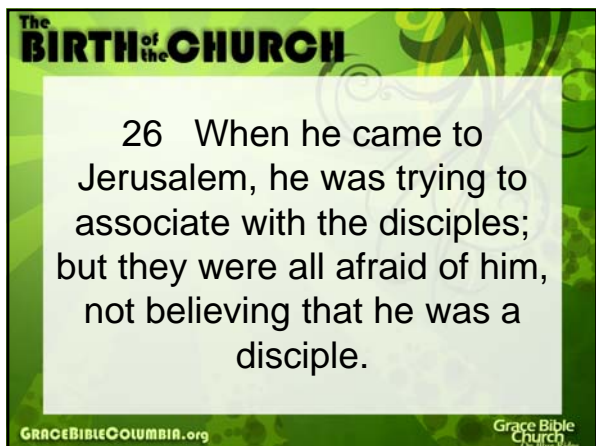
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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

**Question of true faith 26**

- “associate”
- discernment = judging?
- purity of doctrine & practice

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

*...a faith that paddles  
about the edge of the  
water is poor faith at  
best.*

C.H. Spurgeon

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

27 But Barnabas took hold of him and brought him to the apostles and described to them how he had seen the Lord on the road,

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

...and that He had talked to him, and how at Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

28 And he was with them, moving about freely in Jerusalem, speaking out boldly in the name of the Lord.

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

29 And he was talking and arguing with the Hellenistic Jews; but they were attempting to put him to death.

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

**Evidence of true faith 27-29**

- sought out believers
- experience with Christ
- sharing his faith
- taking a stand!

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

30 But when the brethren learned of it, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him away to Tarsus.

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**The BIRTH of the CHURCH**

**Practice of true faith 30**

- personal involvement
- personal investment

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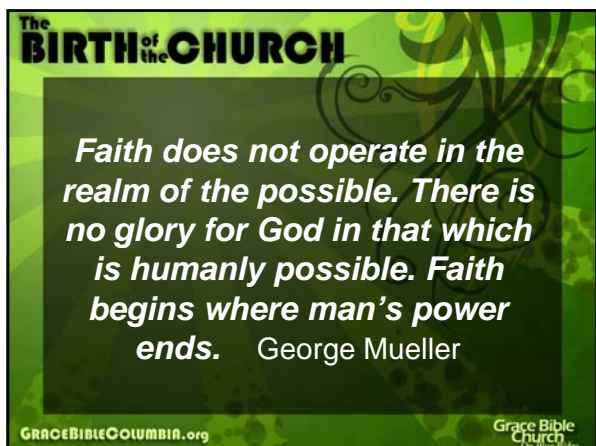
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