

ACTS

HOW TO EXPLAIN THE GOSPEL DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Acts 17

Major Sermon Point: The Gospel Attracts and Repels People

Contextualization: Adapting my communication of the gospel without altering the truth of the gospel.

For further study, check out <https://www.preceptaustin.org/acts-17-commentary>

START THINKING. Ask this question to get your LifeGroup thinking.

- Who introduced you/taught you about Jesus? How did they do this?

START TALKING. Ask these questions to get your LifeGroup talking.

- Although 17:1 quickly references Paul's travels to Thessalonica, the journey was actually well over 100 miles. What does this indicate about Paul and his willingness to share Jesus with others?
- In what ways does your own commitment and devotion to sharing Jesus with others need to change so that you have a willingness to do whatever God is leading you to do and go wherever God is leading you to go?
- Why were the Jews so incredibly jealous of the Gentiles hearing about and receiving Jesus?

- In what ways is the message of Jesus uncomfortable and inconvenient for you?

How do you respond?

- Notice Paul's response in Acts 17:17 after his spirit is provoked because of all the idols he saw in Athens? Why is his response important for us today?

START SHARING. Ask these questions to get your LifeGroup sharing.

Acts 17:22-34

- In what ways does Paul's example of sharing Jesus give us a template for where we can start with people in sharing Jesus with them. See verses 22 and 23 specifically.
- What do verses 32-34 indicate about our role in sharing Jesus versus how people are going to respond to the message of Jesus?

How to explain the Gospel...

1. Enter in and challenge your friend's gods
2. Clearly explain the character of God (love, just, truth, holy, gracious, merciful)
3. Communicate in your friend's language
4. Call them to repentance

START PRAYING.

Pray together as a group.