

Westwood Baptist Church *Grounded. Growing. Going.*

Worship Guide for September 25, 2022

Sermon Notes

Engaging Our Culture with the Gospel

Acts 17:16-34

*Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens,
his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols.*

Acts 17:16

Paul's experience in Athens is revealing, and should cause me to ask,
"What is a worldview; what is mine?"

Paul's perspective & response to the culture of his day should cause us to ask,
"What do I see and how does it make me feel?"

Paul's different approaches to sharing the gospel should cause me to ask,
"How can I better speak gospel truth into my culture?"

Paul's gospel message was oriented toward his audience,
and should cause me to ask, "How can I do the same?"

Application questions: (during this sermon series we will consider these each week)

What is your worldview and how is it shaped by the gospel?

What does our culture say about IDENTITY, and how can I speak the gospel into this search for identity.

What does our culture say about life, and how can I speak the gospel into this search for the understanding and value of life?

What does our culture say about finding fulfillment, and how can I speak the gospel into this search for a full and flourishing life?

Weekly Discipleship Guide

Know

**What does God intend for me to know?
In your journal, use the following prompts to write
some truths that stood out from this week's message.**

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| I never knew... | I was reminded... | A question I still have... |
| I was challenged... | I was convicted... | A truth I could share... |
| I was encouraged to... | | I need to dig deeper into... |

Be (Consider)

**What does God's Word lead me to prayerfully consider?
In your journal, use the following questions to write
some prompts to use in praying through this week's passage.**

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| Is there a command to obey? | Am I convicted to confess any sin? |
| How am I compelled to exalt God? | Is there a sin to avoid? |
| Is there a promise to claim? | How do I need to rest in Jesus/the gospel? |
| Is there a principle to follow? | How can I pray for someone else? |
| Is there an example to follow? | What am I compelled to love or desire? |

Do (Yield)

**How does God's Word call me to yield my life? In your journal, write
your answers and thoughts in response to the following questions.**

What would you say are the factors that most shape your posture to the culture around you?
How much is the gospel an influence?

How equipped would you say you are in sharing the gospel with others? How confident are
you in sharing the gospel in different contexts in *meaningful* ways?

How is the Lord prompting you to pray as begin to walk through this part of this series
together?

*Use this guide to help you internalize this week's message & to prepare for Life Group.

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