

Acts # 72 “When In Greece, Tell It Like It Is” Acts 17:16-24

One of the primary tenants of public speaking is ‘Know your audience’; maybe not personally but at least be somewhat familiar with their situation.

Paul doesn't preach the Gospel the same way every time to everyone he comes in contact with.

A religious unbeliever is quite different from a pagan unbeliever and each should be approached differently with the application of the Laws of Christ; specifically the Laws of love and expediency

We get to know who we're talking to by asking them about themselves because generally people enjoy talking about themselves and that gives us a heads-up for evangelism.

Making it all about us distracts from the point which is to make the issue of the Gospel as clear as possible as to Who Jesus Christ is; what Jesus Christ did and how Jesus Christ can be known personally.

Success begins with knowledge of related biblical truth regarding the Gospel under the ministry of God the Holy Spirit.

Responsibility for witnessing belongs to all of us in the royal family of God and our power to accomplish our goal depends on our desire for spiritual growth.

We witness with our lives as well as our speech and our challenge comes from understanding that Jesus Christ died for all men.

When we walk away from an unbeliever after sharing the Gospel, he must have a clear understanding of the issue of faith alone in Christ alone through grace alone brings salvation.

Jesus Christ is the issue; our attitude toward Him is what's important.

False issues like drinking and smoking must be avoided as they have nothing to do with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We all have our pet peeve sins but we should not allow our own personal likes or dislikes cloud our presentation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Make sure the issue is the Lord Jesus Christ goodness and not people's sins or bad habits.

Why did Paul go to Corinth and make tents for a living? Why did he remain a poor worker not seeking a salary from his ministry?

To make sure the Gospel was understood as a free gift from God under the Law of expediency so money wouldn't be an issue in the presentation of the Gospel.

All who are born again in the body of Christ are no longer Jews or Gentiles but Paul does establish a rapport with the Jews from his Jewish background in order to gain some of them for Jesus Christ.

Paul, a born again believer could eat a ham sandwich if he wanted to but to establish common ground with the Jews, he shied away from pork under the Law of expediency. Paul will proclaim the One and only God to them by getting them to realize that they don't know everything about the gods and he can offer some added information for their enlightenment.

These Greeks were not buying into the idea of a bodily resurrection which was impossible as far as they're concerned.