

THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 14-15, 2017

ETHIOPIA IN SPRING 2018

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MISSION TRIP

Generations UNITED CHOIR

REHEARSAL IS OCTOBER 24TH
6:30PM AT THE CATHEDRAL

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SATURDAY MATH TUTORING PROGRAM

For students in 5th grade through Geometry

2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS
OUR FIRST SESSION IS
OCTOBER 28TH

9AM - 11AM at the CYC

Email MathCamp@cop.church



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WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAYS 5PM

SUNDAYS 8:30AM / 10:30AM / 12:30PM

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDIES

WEDNESDAYS 12NOON AND 7PM AT THE CATHEDRAL

THURSDAYS 12NOON AT THE POWER CENTER

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WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS AT 8PM
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THE CATHEDRAL

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RELEVANT METHODS

In ancient Athens, Mars Hill was a place of debate and rhetoric. In many ways, their culture was very similar to that of ours today. The reality and usage of the internet, social media and an over-abundance of information have created a mindset and lifestyle for masses of people who LIVE TO **TELL** AND **HEAR** SOMETHING NEW. In Acts 16, the Holy Spirit reveals to us a plan and pattern for reaching the lost in this context as demonstrated by the Apostle Paul. Three activities stand out as outcomes of the outpouring when Paul ministers at Mars Hill:

1. **Observation, Examination & Spiritual Provocation**
-Is your spirit provoked by what you see in the world around you? Our hearts should stir with COMPASSION for the lost.
2. **Reasoning & Conversing**
-This is very different from arguing, judging and condemning. It's engaging the INTELLECT in order to reveal deception and inject truth.
3. **Preaching Jesus**
-Be prepared for the truth to seem new and strange in the ears of the hearer. Stay COMMITTED to the Jesus-Centered message.

THERE IS NO OTHER

When the Apostle Paul presented the Gospel, (after observing and reasoning), he made use of what the people didn't know as an opportunity to deposit and expand the realities of God in their minds. In comparison to all the false gods the Athenians worshiped, Paul gave bold **testimony** that the true and living God is:

- Creator and Lord of heaven and earth
- Bigger than any manmade temple
- The Giver of all **life**
- The One who establishes time
- The One who is knowable
- The One who fixed a day to **judge** mankind
- The One who gives **proof** of His power & love

With this testimony Paul affirmed Isaiah 45:5, *"I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides Me there is no God."* An unbeliever does not truly know God. Yet there still exists **hope** for salvation if they're willing to hear what they don't know, and experience what they've never had. Acts 17:32-34 tells us that Paul's efforts got mixed results. *"Some began to sneer"*, some wanted to hear more, *"But some men joined him and believed..."* Our results may be similar. But NONE will believe unless the ACTivated are sent (Rom. 10:14).

FactorPoints

He's Here - WORSHIP the Lord for granting you the gift of knowing Him through the life, death and resurrection of Christ. You received TRUTH despite all the rhetoric.

He Knows - LEARN of the VARIOUS methods of delivering the timeless message of the Gospel to diverse groups.

He's Able - SERVE by allowing the ACTivation of the Holy Spirit to empower you to be the messenger and allow the message to do the miraculous.

WEEK 10 READING: ACTS 16-18

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