

# SERMON SCRIPTURES

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## Taking Responsibility for Your Generation

### Question: How does our generation need us to take responsibility?

- **Acts 17:16-17 NKJV** ... Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him when he saw that the city was [a]given over to idols. 17 Therefore he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and with the Gentile worshippers, and in the marketplace daily with those who happened to be there.

#### 1. This generation needs us to take responsibility to know the truth

- **John 8:31-32 NLT** ... 31 Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. 32 And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”
- **1 Timothy 3:1-2** ... This is a trustworthy saying: “If someone aspires to be a church leader, he desires an honorable position.” 2 So a church leader must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation. He must enjoy having guests in his home, and he must be able to teach.

#### 2. This generation needs us to take responsibility to bring the Good News

- **Romans 10:13-15 NLT** ... For “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” 14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? 15 And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!”
- **Luke 12:12** ... for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what needs to be said.”

#### 3. This generation needs us to take responsibility by being bold

- **Acts 4:29-31 NLT** ... 29 And now, O Lord, hear their threats, and give us, your servants, great boldness in preaching your word. 30 Stretch out your hand with healing power; may miraculous signs and wonders be done through the name of your holy servant Jesus.” 31 After this prayer, the meeting place shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they preached the word of God with boldness.
- **Romans 15:18-19 NLT** ... Yet I dare not boast about anything except what Christ has done through me, bringing the Gentiles to God by my message and by the way I worked among them. 19 They were convinced by the power of miraculous signs and wonders and by the power of God’s Spirit.[a] In this way, I have fully presented the Good News of Christ from Jerusalem all the way to Illyricum.