

**Con.text: Weaving the Gospel and Culture**  
**“Processing the Good News”**  
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**Acts 17:16-32**

Evangelism must be both event and process.

- Evangelism as an EVENT is Acts 2.

The audience was God-fearing Jews.

- Evangelism as a PROCESS is Acts 17.

The audience was Epicureans and Stoics.

The moment the audience changes, the approach must also change.

“We want to hear you again on this subject.” (Acts 17:32)

- Evangelism driven by explanation.

The old and new apologetics.

“Old” is answering questions through evidence.

“New” is addressing questions through experience.

Truth addresses the intellectual barriers.

Explanation addresses the experiential barriers.

The grace and truth tension.

- Missional evangelism. Cultural missionaries.