

True Impact

Series: True Spirituality (message 3) Date: April 4/5, 2020

Intro

Acts 19:21-20:1

I. True impact affects all levels and parts of a city.

II. True impact will create a reaction!

III. We must respond rightly to reactions.

- Proverbs 26:4-5
- 1 Peter 3:15
- Stay calm, seek help, pray and in some cases walk away.

IV. True impact happens through living and sharing Christ.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Services & Good Friday

We'll be streaming Good Friday service at 6:30pm and Easter services on Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 6am, 8am, 9:30am, and 11am. Tune in on obcc.online.church or on Facebook or YouTube.

RECAP THE SERMON

Discuss the sermon from the weekend. Was there anything new that you learned, anything that confused you or anything that stood out to you?

GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. As you start your group time today, take a few moments to share two or three things you are grateful for from this past week.
- 2. When have you had someone get angry with you or attack you (online or in person) for standing up for your faith? How did you respond?
- 3. **Read Acts 19:21-41.** What are Demetrius's main concerns in verse 27? How does he get the attention and support of his peers?
- 4. **Read Acts 19:31.** Paul's ministry in Ephesus and the surrounding region had allowed him to build relationships with officials of the province. What are some places where you could build relationships with those who are in leadership roles?
- 5. **Read 1 Peter 3:15.** Pastor Greg mentioned that when we're sharing our faith and encountering opposition, we need to stay calm, seek help, pray and in some cases walk away. When have you had to do one or more of those things? Which do you find hardest to do?
- 6. **Read Proverbs 26:4-5.** When have you seen the best response to someone be no response at all? In some ways how is that the hardest response of all to give?
- 7. As you close your group time, spend some time writing down the names of who you could invite to attend an online Easter service. Who did you write down and when are you going to reach out to them? Are there any risks you feel like God wants you to take to share your faith with others?

MEMORIZE

"but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect," **1 Peter 3:15** ESV