

“Making God Known to Condescending Skeptics”

Acts 25-26

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KNOWING GOD
AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

FLY OVER THE NARRATIVE

(Slides cover 25:1-3, 8, 11, 13, 19-20, 23:

26:4-5, 6-8, 9, 14-15, 16-17, 18, 19-20, 22-23, 24-25, 27-28, 29)

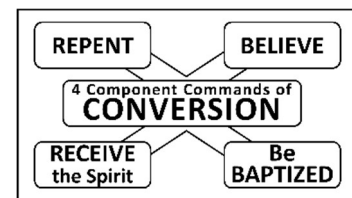
LAND & EXPLORE PAUL’S & OUR COMMISSION

- _____ EYES TO TURN & RECEIVE (26:18)
 - TO TURN:
From darkness to _____
From power of _____ to God
 - TO _____:
Forgiveness of sins
A place among the sanctified
 - BY _____
- DECLARING _____ & ITS FRUITS (26:20)
 - TO REPENT & TURN TO GOD
Performing deeds in keeping
- SAYING WHAT WAS _____ (26:22-23)
 - WHAT MOSES & PROPHETS SAID:
Messiah must _____,
Messiah must be the 1st to _____,
Messiah will proclaim light to Jews and Gentiles.
- SPEAKING TRUE & _____ WORDS (26:24-25)
 - NOT OUT OF OUR MINDS
- _____ WITH CONVICTION (26:27-29)
 - “Do you believe?”
 - “May you ALL be as I am, yet without these chains.”

Key Lessons:
We must grasp & communicate the spiritual _____ for people’s allegiance of faith.

We must highlight the great _____ of forgiveness and belonging.

Key Lesson:
We must not “sell a _____ gospel” that minimizes true repentance that always manifests the fruits of repentance.



Key Lesson:
We must make clear that the Christian faith is not an innovation, but the _____ of 2,000 years of prophecy foretelling the coming of Messiah.

Key Lesson:
We must _____ present the decision to put one’s faith in Jesus Christ as a “blind leap of faith.” Nor as an irrational choice of desperation.

Key Lesson:
We must make clear that the Gospel calls for a _____. While we cannot make people believe, we can help them understand that they must _____ “cross the line” of faith.

What about those who are condescending?
(2 Tim 2:25-26; Matt 7:6)

What about those who are not sure if they have “turned and trusted” (repented and believed)?

Dear Lord Jesus, I now understand that I was created for a life with purpose and meaning under Your rule. I confess that I am a sinner and have rebelled against You. I cannot perfectly keep the Law so I cannot earn my own salvation. So right now, I am turning away from my rebellion and sin and turning to You in faith and trust. I accept the work that You did and will do for me through Your life, death, resurrection, ascension, and coming again. Please, come be my Savior and send Your Holy Spirit to live within me, as You have promised You would. Amen