

Sermon Notes
March 31/19 – Acts 17:16-34
Didn't See It Coming 1: Irrelevance

Summary: When we are younger, we tend to keep up with the pace of change. But eventually, we set down roots in our personal preferences and let change pass us by. But we become irrelevant, we cannot share the infinite treasure of life with God with others. Resting in God's love and learning from him and others will help us to share the gift we have been given with others.

Core Idea: Aligning ourselves with God's love, truth and compassion will help us to reach others for his kingdom.

Intro: Being irrelevant

I. Irrelevance

- A. How irrelevance happens - _____
- B. The _____ of irrelevance

II. Paul in Athens (Acts 17:16-34)

- A. Background
- B. The relevance of Paul
 - 1. Paul was deeply _____
 - 2. He went to where the people _____
 - 3. He spoke to _____ in a relevant way
 - a. He affirmed the _____ of the culture
 - b. He proclaimed Christian truth against the _____ of the culture

c. He invited his listeners into a new

C. How did Paul do this?

- 1. He knew the _____
- 2. He knew the _____
- 3. He knew something that was important, relevant and _____
- 4. He _____ the people

III. Application

- A. What is deeply troubling you?
- B. What is deeply troubling God? (1 Tim 2:1-6)
- C. Alignment – aligning ourselves to God
 - 1. L _____
 - 2. T _____
 - 3. Self-giving love for _____

Conclusion

- A. Imagine
- B. Action
 - a. Rest
 - b. Learn
 - c. Listen
 - d. L _____