

Sermon Discussion Questions

Serving:

Leaders, please share the following volunteer opportunities with your group members each week. Thanks!

Highlighted Opportunity: Our Hospitality Team is a fun way to help love and show our appreciation to our volunteers through food! On Sunday mornings we provide food to our volunteers, especially those that are here for all three services like our Worship Team! Opportunities include providing food and helping maintain a clean and tidy food serving area. You can sign-up [HERE](#), reach out to Tina Chaffin personally or give us a call at 928-362-8910.

Other Serving Needs Include: Clean Team, Baptismal Team, Worship Team, Security, First Impressions, Elder Care, His Kidz, His Kidz Registration, Next Gen, Audio/Visual and Next Step Team.

DATE: August 24th, 2025

SERMON TITLE: Provoked

MAIN POINT: What about us? Are we provoked to engage or are we provoked to withdraw?

SERMON SCRIPTURE: [Acts 17:16-21](#)

REVIEW: [Acts 17:16-21](#) (Click the links in blue for easy reading!)

Use this time to revisit the Scripture and Sermon together. Encourage open and honest conversation while asking and answering questions as a group.

Questions:

➤ **Comprehension:**

What does the passage say in your own words?

Questions or things you don't understand? Now is the time to ask!

➤ **Interpretation:** What is the purpose of the passage for them and for us?

➤ **Interpretation** Explain in your own words some of the Epicureans and Stoics philosophies and beliefs. How would they have been challenged by what Paul was saying?

➤ **Interpretation** If you were Paul, what would your "Marketplace Conversations" have looked like? How would Paul have used his life and experiences to lead others to Jesus and what does this teach us about how we can do the same?

➤ **Application:** How have you been provoked to respond or engage with others this week about the Gospel?

➤ **Application:** As a group, talk about your own struggles with idolatry. What in your life have you made an idol? How can we support you as a group in accountability and encouragement?

➤ **Dig Deeper:** Additional Scripture from the Sermon to study throughout the week.

1. [John 14:6](#)
2. [Galatians 2:20](#)
3. [Jonah 4:2b](#)
4. [Genesis 1:27](#)
5. [2 Corinthians 5:17](#)
6. [Ephesians 2:19](#)
7. [Galatians 3:28](#)
8. [Matthew 28:19-20](#)
9. [1 Corinthians 1:18](#)

PREPARE: Read [Acts 17:22-34](#) together in preparation for next week. Use this time together to explore where we are going and how

we can better understand the text.

- **What things stand out to you?**
 - **Why was this important then?**
 - **How can we apply it today?**
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➤ **Group Prayer:** Break into groups of 3 or 4 and discuss each other's lives. Speak honestly and openly about sin, struggles, and areas of praise. Join together for intentional and relational prayer.

Personal Questions (for monthly breakouts):

- What life challenges are you facing this week?
- How are you responding to those challenges?
- How can we pray for your heart in those challenges?
- What sins are you holding onto right now?
- How can we help keep you accountable?
- How can we be praying for you personally this month?
- Share one way God has been working in your heart and life this past month!