



DIGGING DEEPER

Learn The Language

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LEAN IN

- What have been your “cross cultural” experiences? When have you engaged with an unfamiliar culture in the past and how did it go?
- Have you ever tried to share your faith or the gospel of Jesus with someone else? How did it go?

LOOK UP

Read Acts 17:16-24

Observe: What does the text say?

- Where do you notice repetition or emphasis?
- **What are the main points of Paul’s message to the Athenians?**
- **What were key aspects of his approach to sharing Christ with them?**
- What creates a question in your mind?
- What might require further study to understand?

Interpret: What does this passage mean?

- **Why do you think Paul took this approach in sharing the gospel with the Athenians?**
- What does this passage reveal about God?
- What does it teach you about humanity?

Apply: How do I live in response to this passage?

- How are you encouraged, challenged, or convicted by this passage?
- **How have you tried to share the gospel with people in your life? How did the response compare to the response Paul received?**
- **How can you demonstrate a curiosity – “seeking to understand” – with someone in your life who may not know Jesus?**

Individual Prayer

- Ask God to bring to mind specific people who don’t know Jesus but who might be more open than you realize; ask and give God space to bring someone to mind.

- In John 6:44, Jesus says, “no one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him.” Ask the Father to draw this person to Jesus and that they would come to know and trust him.

Group Prayer

- Share people in your life that are not followers of Jesus and how you’re connected to them.
- Pray for each other that God would give you a heart to love them and opportunities to share Christ with them.

APPLY

- In Week 8 of the Acts series, we discussed the Oikos Map Tool (Watch this [video](#) for a quick explainer on how to use it). Revisit this idea or complete it, if you haven’t already.
- Commit to praying daily for anyone that came to mind when you asked to God to show you who might be open.
- Ask God for opportunities to build relationship with someone in your sphere of influence that doesn’t yet know Jesus.
- Next Week: Share with the group how it went – did you get to connect with anyone? What did you learn through trying to build a relationship with them?