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BIG TRUTH: THE GOSPEL HAS THE POWER TO TURN THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN

Romans 1:16; 1 Thessalonians 1:5; Matthew 24:14; 2 Corinthians 4:4

BIBLE VERSE: ACTS 17:6

“And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities shouting, “These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also...”

BIG IDEAS

- The Gospel proclaims the kingship of Jesus.
- Some are persuaded by the Gospel.
- Some are disturbed by the Gospel.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ACTS 17:1-9

KNEEL: LIVING ON MISSION

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28) and to use our influence to lead others to do the same. We know that as we pursue a life of worship, we will pursue a life of both wisdom and mission. Throughout this year we will study and pursue the wisdom of God through the book of Proverbs and the mission of God through the book of Acts, and we will learn how both of these things must inform and shape our influence as Jesus followers!

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know...

- The gospel has the power to turn the world upside down.
- They are empowered and chosen to be a gospel witness in the world.
- Our salvation has come by grace alone.



Every student should feel...

- Comfort that the Lord is with them wherever they go.
- Hope in the God of salvation.
- Responsible to use their influence to live for Jesus alone.



Every student should strive to...

- Read, study, and meditate on the entire book of Acts.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Pray consistently for boldness to make Jesus known.



Every student should want...

- To pursue faithfulness in living on mission.
- To share the gospel with people in their lives who do not know Jesus.
- To sacrifice their personal freedoms for the sake of the gospel

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the truth that the Gospel has the power to turn the world upside down. We will pray with them to desire to tell others about Jesus and we will lead them to practice telling others the good news about Jesus.

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Read Acts 17:1-9 this week and make notes in your journal. Answer the questions below in your journal as well:

- What is the significance of Paul reasoning with the Jews about Christ's suffering and the necessity of His death? Why was it necessary for him to reason with the Jews in the synagogue?
- What was the result of his reasoning? Who was persuaded by his reasoning?
- What does it mean that Paul, Silas, and the others had turned the world upside down? How does the Gospel turn the world upside down?
- What was disturbing about the Gospel to the Jews? How did they respond to being disturbed by it?
- What was Jason and the others' response to being persecuted for the sake of the Gospel?

Read and meditate on Acts 17:1-9 this week. Use the questions below to guide your meditation:

- Ponder how to discuss with your son or daughter the ways the Gospel turns the world upside down.
- Consider how to help your son or daughter trust the power of the Gospel to persuade people.
- Ponder how to model sharing the Gospel even to those who are disturbed by it.



Pray with your son or daughter this week.

- Ask God to embolden them to share the Gospel with people no matter the response to the Gospel.
- Meet with your student this week to pray. Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel and to see fruit from sharing the Gospel.



Memorize Acts 17:6 with your son or daughter this week.

- Write the verse on an index card and review each day to help your son or daughter memorize it.
- Spend time discussing some of the reasons we think certain people will never believe the Gospel. Share with your son or daughter some of your own doubts about the power the Gospel has. Read Acts 17:1-9 together and remind your son or daughter of the power of the Gospel to turn the world upside down.
- Meet with your student to share stories of missionaries sharing the Gospel in other parts of the world. Discuss with your student some of the ways that these missionaries are turning the world upside down by sharing the Gospel in hard places.