



Power From on High

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Text: Acts 19:8-10
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“reasoning”

Why is this an important strategy?

Paul's initial goal was to _____
the mind

“persuading”

Acts 2:39–40 “For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.” 40 And with many other words he solemnly testified and **kept on exhorting them**, saying, “Be saved from this perverse generation!”

“boldly”

Titus 2:15 These things speak and exhort and reprove **with all authority**. Let no one disregard you.

Matthew 7:28–29 When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; 29 for He was teaching them as one having **authority**, and not as their scribes.

Acts 4:13 Now as they observed the **confidence** of Peter and John and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed, and began to recognize them as having been with Jesus.

Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and began to speak the word of God with boldness.

“the kingdom of God”

1. The kingdom of God is His sovereign rule over all of His universal creation.

Daniel 4:3 “How great are His signs And how mighty are His wonders! His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom And His dominion is from generation to generation.

2. It can also have a spiritual meaning in the lives of God’s children.

Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

John 3:5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

3. The kingdom of God also refers to the physical rule of Christ during the 1,000 year Millennium.

Daniel 7:13–14 “I kept looking in the night visions, And behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, And He came up to the Ancient of Days And was presented before Him. 14 “And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a **kingdom**, That all the peoples, nations and men of every language Might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion Which will not pass away; And His kingdom is one Which will not be destroyed.

Habakkuk 2:14 “For the earth will be filled With the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, As the waters cover the sea.

Zechariah 14:9 And the Lord will be king over all the earth; in that day the Lord will be the only one, and His name the only one.

Acts 1:6 So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, “Lord, is it at this time You are restoring **the kingdom to Israel?**”

Should we approach difference audiences with a strategy that is tailored specifically for them?

Peter - **Jews**

Peter / Stephen - **Sanhedrin** (religious elites)

Peter - Cornelius (**Gentiles**)

Philip - Ethiopian Eunuch (**African**)

Paul - Lyda (**woman**)

Paul - Jailor - (**professional soldier**)

Paul & Silas - Bereans (**receptive**)

Paul - Athenians (**philosophical intellectuals**)

Paul - Corinthians (**immoral / idolatrous**)

They all presented _____.

Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

9 But when some were becoming hardened and disobedient,

Every time one hears the gospel and rejects it, the heart will become _____ hardened.

_____ **conscience**

1 Timothy 4:1–2 But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons, 2 by means of the hypocrisy of liars **seared in their own conscience** as with a branding iron,

2 Timothy 4:1–4 I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: 2 preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.

The pastors responsibility is to “preach the word”

The listeners responsibility

Four steps that lead to apostasy.

Step #1

3 For the time will come when they will **not endure sound doctrine**; but wanting to have their ears tickled,

Step #2

3b they **will accumulate** for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires

Step #3

4 and will **turn away** their ears from the truth

Active voice - Personal choice

Step #4

and **will turn** aside to myths.

Passive voice - The subject is acted upon.

KJV “and shall **be turned** unto fables.

9 But when some were becoming hardened and disobedient, **speaking evil** of the Way before the people,

Romans 16:17 Now I urge you, brethren, keep your eye on those who cause dissensions and hindrances contrary to the teaching which you learned, and turn away from them.

“the way”

9a he withdrew from them and took away the disciples,
reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus.

“the school of Tyrannus”

2 Timothy 2:2 The things which you have heard from me in
the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful
men who will be able to teach others also.

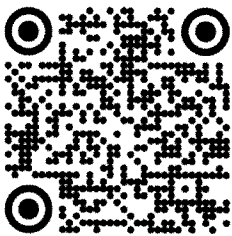
10 This took place for two years, so that all who lived in Asia
heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

Acts 20:31 “Therefore be on the alert, remembering that
night and day for a period of three years I did not cease to
admonish each one with tears.

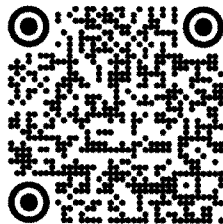
**Grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ then
go and _____ the
truth to the world.**

Discussion Guide

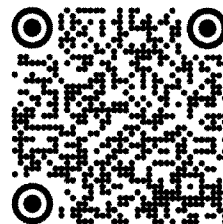
1. Why is it so important to begin our evangelism by reasoning rather than persuasion?
2. Why is bold and courageous preaching so rare and unpopular today?
3. Do you believe different people groups need a gospel tailored to their uniqueness?
4. Take a second look at 2 Timothy 4:1-4 and discuss the four steps into apostasy.



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