

SEEKING GOD

What are you looking for in life?

1. Acts 17:16-21. Briefly explain the situation in Athens.

2. Acts 17:22-28

- A. Question: Why did God create and bring you to this very place and time?
So that you would seek him in order to have a personal relationship with him.
- B. Question: Why do so few people seek God today?
1. Not only is God unknown (v.23), but the image of god is perverted. You wouldn't want a god like that.
 2. We've created our own gods. We all worship something.
 3. Vv.24-26—We need to change our idea of God, i.e. powerful, personal, etc.
 4. There's nothing comparable to or more important than knowing our Creator God.

3. Jeremiah 29:11-14

- A. Question: Have you ever done anything with **all** your heart?
B. We will find God if we seek him with **all** our heart.

4. Examples of people who sought God:

A. **Acts 8:26-40**

1. Important man; very busy.
2. Still finds time for God (Jerusalem trip).
3. Took initiative to read scriptures on his own.
4. Humble, asks for help.
5. Made decision about things he learned.
6. Acts on his decision.
7. Rejoices because he has come to know God.

B. **Acts 17:11-12**

1. Noble character; integrity.
2. Enthusiastic.
3. Daily examined the Scriptures—it was their personal search.
4. Example: If you lost something of value, what would you do to find it? The most valuable thing in life is a relationship with God!

C. **John 1:18**

1. Where to begin?
2. Jesus has made God known.
3. To the degree you know Jesus, to that same degree you will know God.

D. **John 20:30-31**

1. By believing in Jesus, will have true life now and eternal life later.
2. John was an eyewitness to everything.
3. Power in the Word of God to cause faith. Example: An acorn has power placed in it to produce a giant oak.

5. Decisions/Reminders/Commitments

- A. Keep reading the Bible.
B. Set time and date of next appointment before leaving.
C. Always remember we are moving toward the decision that Jesus is the Son of God and the decision to follow Jesus!
D. Review the Scriptures we have looked at on your own.

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