

## Walking In The Way Of Jesus; **Simple Reminders**

Considering the path from the tomb to the world

Simple Reminders this morning from the scriptures:

**We have a mission, an assignment, and/or marching orders from our Lord and Savior, Jesus of Nazareth.**

Nothing has changed through the years and it is for every single man, woman, boy, or girl who have embraced Jesus as the Son of the Living God in their lives.....

- ⇒ **Proclaim the good news of Jesus death, burial, and resurrection for the forgiveness of sin for anyone who would believe**
- ⇒ **Make disciples or followers of those who believe in every region of the planet**
- ⇒ **We do these things by learning to Love God with every part of us and then learning to love others. We activate our faith and love through service.**

**Nothing has changed about our assignment or mission**

Acts 19:1-10 NKJV

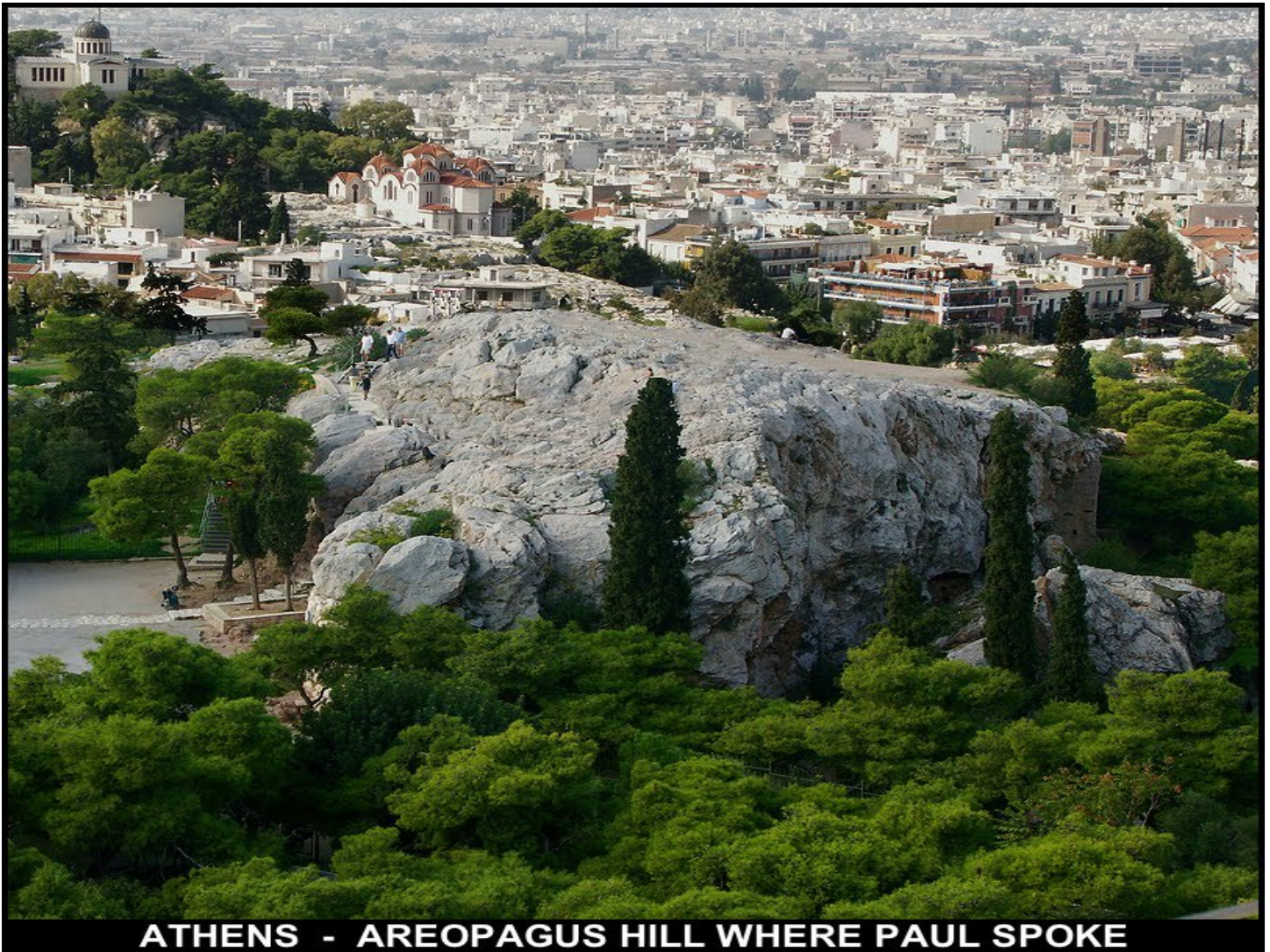
*And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples <sup>2</sup> he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit." <sup>3</sup> And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized?" So they said, "Into John's baptism." <sup>4</sup> Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." <sup>5</sup> When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup> And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. <sup>7</sup> Now the men were about twelve in all. <sup>8</sup> And he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God. <sup>9</sup> But when some were hardened and did not believe, but spoke evil of the Way before the multitude, he departed from them and withdrew the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. <sup>10</sup> And this continued for two years, so that all who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.*

Acts 17:16-34 NKJV

*<sup>16</sup> Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him when he saw that the city was given over to idols. <sup>17</sup> Therefore he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and with the Gentile worshipers, and in the marketplace daily with those who happened to be there. **18 Then certain Epicurean and Stoic philosophers encountered him.** And some said, "What does this babbler (seed picker; someone who makes a living picking up scraps) want to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a proclaimer of foreign gods," **because he preached to them Jesus and the resurrection.***

*<sup>19</sup> And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus (Hill of Ares or Mars Hill), saying, "May we know what this new doctrine is of which you speak? <sup>20</sup> For you are bringing some strange things to our ears. Therefore we want to know what these things mean." <sup>21</sup> For all the*

*Athenians and the foreigners who were there spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing.*



**ATHENS - AREOPAGUS HILL WHERE PAUL SPOKE**

*<sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, “Men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are very religious; <sup>23</sup> for as I was passing through and considering the objects of your worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Therefore, the One whom you worship without knowing, Him I proclaim to you: <sup>24</sup> God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. <sup>25</sup> Nor is He worshiped with men’s hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things. <sup>26</sup> And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, <sup>27</sup> so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; <sup>28</sup> for in Him we live and move and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, ‘For we are also His offspring.’ <sup>29</sup> Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man’s devising. <sup>30</sup> Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup> because He has appointed a day on which He will*

***judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead.”***

<sup>32</sup> *And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked, while others said, “We will hear you again on this matter.”* <sup>33</sup> *So Paul departed from among them.* <sup>34</sup> *However, some men joined him and believed, among them Dionysius the Areopagite, a woman named Damaris, and others with them.*

Romans 13:11-14 NLT

<sup>11</sup> *This is all the more urgent, for you know how late it is; time is running out. Wake up, for our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.* <sup>12</sup> *The night is almost gone; the day of salvation will soon be here. **So remove your dark deeds like dirty clothes, and put on the shining armor of right living.*** <sup>13</sup> *Because we belong to the day, we must live decent lives for all to see. **Don’t participate in the darkness of wild parties and drunkenness, or in sexual promiscuity and immoral living, or in quarreling and jealousy.*** <sup>14</sup> *Instead, **clothe yourself with the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. And don’t let yourself think about ways to indulge your evil desires.***

Colossians 3:12-15 NLT

<sup>12</sup> *Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with **tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.*** <sup>13</sup> *Make allowance for each other’s faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.* <sup>14</sup> *Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.* <sup>15</sup> *And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful.*

Clothe yourselves with Christ illustration with shirts.

Shirts on the hanger or on the shelf:

**“I have it for when I need it.” “I believe it but it’s not important to me now.”**

**“I like them but I really have no use for them.”**

**Question? Who is really in charge of your salvation and sanctification if it’s really not a part of who you are?**

Galatians 5:13-17 NLT

<sup>13</sup> *For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. **But don’t use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.*** <sup>14</sup> *For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: **“Love your neighbor as yourself.”*** <sup>15</sup> *But if you are always biting and devouring one another, watch out! Beware of destroying one another.* <sup>16</sup> *So I say, **let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won’t be doing what your sinful nature craves.*** <sup>17</sup> *The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.*