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Empowered: To See God June 26, 2022

Monthly Discipleship Focus for June Demonstrates a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.

This 9-week series journeys through the book of Acts and discovers practical ways the Holy Spirit equips and empowers us. In Part 4, Pastor Alli reviews Paul's visit to the people of Athens to discuss seeing God clearly in a world filled with distractions.

Based on the <u>broadcast message</u>, read Acts 17:22-30, review the following statements and questions below, then briefly respond accordingly to these four main points:

- 1. We see God clearly when we understand **HIS TRUTH** (Acts 17:24-25, John 16:13). When you start reading scripture, it's important to ask the Holy Spirit to help you see things His way. We take things that we desire, but don't realize we are turning that into our own god. Briefly share how something that is great in your life such as your career, status, relationships, or image, and how it has become your god.
- 2. We see God clearly when we understand **HIS SOVEREIGNTY** (Acts 17:25, Colossians 1:16-17). God is all powerful, despite all the confusion in this world. We wonder what it would be like to be used by Him, not realizing we already have His power within us. If you believe God is your healer, your provider, the creator, then take Him for who He says He is because He never changes. What is one way you know that you can be used by God (in your home, at your workplace, etcetera)?
- 3. We see God clearly when we understand **HIS PLAN** (Acts 17:27). God's plan for your life is a lot better than the one you were/are working on. Don't take the world's narrative and plan it as your own. Are you a planner or do you just let things happen and how is this beneficial in your walk with the Lord?
- 4. We see God clearly when we understand **THE GOSPEL** (1 John 4:10). The Gospel is the foundation of our faith. The world is desperate to know what you know so our battle cry should reflect what God can do, not what we are against. In your life, do you constantly have a yearning in your heart that you want to be loved, wanted, heard, seen and how do you know only God can fill your needs?

This Month's Memory Verse - 1 Corinthians 10:14 (NKJV)

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.

This Week's Bible Readings & Bible Project Videos

Isaiah 16-38: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/isaiah-1-39/</u> Proverbs 18: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/proverbs/</u>

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