

# Paul – His Theology



Evangelism

**Lesson 32**

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# Paul's Style of Evangelism

1. Was Acts 17:22-34 a new direction in Paul's approach to evangelism?

2. What was significant about his audience?

# The Epicureans

Stoics

3. How did Paul describe his approach to witnessing?

And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. And my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.

In 1 Corinthians 2:1-5



For they say, "His letters are weighty and strong,  
but his personal presence is unimpressive, and  
his speech contemptible."

2 Corinthians 10:10

But even if I am unskilled in speech, yet I am not so in knowledge; in fact, in every way we have made this evident to you in all things.

2 Corinthians 11:6

4. How did Luke describe Paul's witnessing?

*Reasoned* (Acts 17:2; 18:19)

*Reasoning* (Acts 17:17; 18:4; 19:8; 19:9)

*Explaining (Acts 17:3; 28:23)*

*Giving evidence (Acts 17:3)*

*Persuading* (Acts 18:4; 19:8; 26:28; 28:23).



5. Was Paul's change of heart really a conversion?

Who did Paul eventually believe Jesus was?

Romans 7:14-25

6. Paul's intellect was prominent in his witness

"No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day."

John 6:44

The “Son of God”

Acts 9:20

“amazed”

Acts 9:21

He was “confounding” the Jews by “proving that  
Jesus is the Christ.”

Acts 9:22



Paul appeals to his Roman citizenship

Acts 22:25-26

King Agrippa

Acts 26

And to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to those who are under the Law, as under the Law, though not being myself under the Law, that I might win those who are under the Law; to those who are without law, as without law, though not being without the law of God but under the law of Christ, that I might win those who are without law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak; I have become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some. And I do all things for the sake of the gospel, that I may become a fellow partaker of it.

1 Corinthians 9:20-23

**Points for Home**

that they should seek God, if perhaps they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said,' For we also are His offspring.'

Acts 17:27-28

but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always  
being ready to make a defense to everyone  
who asks you to give an account for the hope  
that is in you, yet with gentleness and  
reverence

1 Peter 3:15

but you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit  
has come upon you; and you shall be My  
witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea  
and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of  
the earth.

Acts 1:8

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is  
dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit

Ephesians 5:18



For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but  
of power and love and discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

"And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not become anxious about how or what you should speak in your defense, or what you should say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say. "

Luke 12:11-12