

## Can We Have Heaven On Earth? Christian Worldview and Witness Acts 17:16-31

A Christian worldview provides a framework to understand all of life including God, our world, and ourselves. As a result, it provides a wonderful tool as we become conversant with our culture and world in love and truth.

### **Know Your World ...**

- Waiting
- Observing
- Conversing (\*In Synagogue, Market, Areopagus)

### **Conversing With World ...**

- Prepare to Listen
- Prepare to be Misunderstood
- Prepare to Explain Faith
- Prepare for Lure of the Novel

### **Develop Christian Worldview**

- "Bridges"
- Definition ...  
"A set of presuppositions which we hold about the basic makeup of our world. We all have one, even if we can't explain it."
- Scope ...
- Foundation ...  
"What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." —Tozer
  - God is Revealer  
"How do you know what you know?"
  - God is Creator  
"Why something instead of nothing?"
  - God is Relater  
"How do you explain human nature?"
  - God is Judger  
"How do you determine right & wrong?"  
"What happens to a person at death?"
- Progression ...

### **Center on Jesus Christ ...**

- Start with the "Bridges"
  - The Search for Truth
  - The Wonder of Creation

- The Dignity of Humanity
  - The Tendency to Human Evil
  - The Fear of Death & Afterlife
- Distinguish Public & Private Arena
- End with Jesus Christ