



**Theme:** Asking Good Questions

**Acts 17:32 NLT**

*When they heard Paul speak about the resurrection of the dead, some laughed in contempt, but others said, “We want to hear more about this later.”*

**“What would you have me say today?”**

How are you? How’s it going? What have you been up to? While those questions are polite, they often become routine. We ask them out of habit and expect the same quick answers in return. The conversation rarely goes much deeper than the weather or the events of the day. If we want a more meaningful conversations, let’s begin with better questions.

In Acts 17, when Paul spoke in Athens about Jesus and the resurrection, people reacted in different ways. Some dismissed him. Others leaned in with curiosity and said, “We want to hear more.” Their response was essentially an invitation to continue the conversation. Curiosity opens doors.

When we ask thoughtful questions, we communicate something important to the person in front of us. We show that we care about their story, their thoughts, and their experiences. Good questions create space for deeper connection, and sometimes even spiritual conversations.

Before stepping into a conversation, consider this simple prayer first: “Lord, what would You have me say today?”

A sincere question can reveal a struggle, uncover a need, or open the door for encouragement. When we approach conversations with curiosity and love, we become better listeners and better witnesses of Christ’s grace. Good questions help people feel seen, heard, valued, and loved by you and Jesus within you!

**Share:** Think about your typical conversations. Do they tend to stay on the surface, or move toward deeper topics? Why do you think meaningful questions can sometimes feel uncomfortable to ask? What is one example of a thoughtful question that could help start a deeper conversation? How might asking better questions help you show genuine care for others, especially those who haven’t accepted Jesus? How could the prayer, “What would you have me say today?” shape your conversations this week?



**Pray:** Lord, guide our words and our questions. Help us be curious about the people around us and care about their stories. Give us wisdom to ask meaningful questions and the courage to follow where those conversations lead. Amen.

## **Suggested Prayer Topics**

- Pray for yourself. Ask God to bring to the surface what you need to learn from the scripture or what needs to be addressed within your heart and renew the desire to engage with those that need the hope of Jesus.
- Pray for Stonecroft Ministries. Pray for the mission of the ministry, the Board of Directors, National Office staff and volunteers across the nation.
- Pray for the needs of your family and friends. Pray that God gives you opportunities to speak into their lives and gives them hope and encouragement only found in Jesus.
- Pray for local Outreach Groups (Women's Connections, Bible studies, etc.) and your community. Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel. Pray for hearts and minds that are ready to receive him.
- Pray for our nation. For wisdom and protection of our leaders on every level, our workplaces, and our families.
- Pray for global evangelism. Pray that every woman everywhere would be reconciled to God through Jesus Christ.