

Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. The Greek gods were created by man to explain the world around them, act as a means of exploration, provide legitimacy and authority to ancient Greek aristocracy, and provide entertainment for the masses. What are some modern Greek gods that people might create or worship today?

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. Read Acts 19:23-24.
 - a. What do we learn from these verses?
 - b. Who is "The Way?"
 - c. Why is this business man up in arms?
 - d. How was this impacting their economy?
3. Continue reading Acts 19:25-27.
 - a. According to this passage, what's the problem?
 - b. What is the effect of someone turning to Jesus?
4. Go back to Acts 14. Paul and Barnabus face Greek Gods in this passage.
 - a. Please read Acts 14:12-15.
 - b. What is Paul's advice?
 - c. Pastor Ruben said, "What you worship determines your perspective."
 - d. What are your thoughts?
 - e. Do you have the ability to recognize "worthless things?"
 - f. Is this a daily choice?
5. Let's get back to our main story.
 - a. Please read, Acts 19:28-41.
 - b. What happens?

- c. Any thoughts?

6. It's NOT a surprise that Paul the apostle talks about spiritual warfare in a place where they worship these Greek gods. God worked mightily in Ephesus, but so did the devil. Is it any surprise that Paul addressed this in Ephesians? Please read Ephesians 6:10-18.
 - a. Who is our struggle against?

 - b. How do we remain strong?

 - c. How do we fight?

Application

Below are some
of the points shared in the message. Discuss how they apply to your life.

- "We become what we worship." - Greg Beale

- Will you worship something that was made with hands...OR the God who made you?

- Don't allow worthless things to coexist with your relationship with Jesus Christ.