Historic White Marsh Church

July 16, 2023

Prelude Marjorie Lampkin - Pianist

Hymn ~ 502 In My Heart There Rings a Melody

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn ~ 208 Let the Redeemed

Scripture Reading: Acts 17:1-15

Prayer

Hymn ~ 12 Praise Him! Praise Him!

Sermon

Hymn ~ 581 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Benediction & Postlude

Membership: If you are interested in becoming a member of Historic White Marsh Church, please talk to Rev. Wes Hall.

Tithes & Offerings Please use the wooden **offering box** or *mail your offering to: PO Box* 24, Lancaster, VA 22503. Thank you!

Historic White Marsh Church is an independent, Bible believing, teaching, and Christ-loving Bible Church. We are made up of Christians from diverse backgrounds, who are going to the same place (heaven) because of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 8 at 1:00 PM

Friendship Fellowship: on August 13 after Worship

Shoeboxes: School supplies are on sale!! Needed: crayons, markers, watercolors, color pencils and notebooks; lots of notebooks!! Hygiene items: combs/brushes, toothbrushes, nail clippers.

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WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE TO THE TRUTH?

Acts 17:1-15

THE EXAMPLE OF THE THESSALONIANS V. 1-9

<u>The Positive Response</u> to the Gospel was some Jews and many Greeks believed. v. 4

<u>The Negative Response</u> to the Gospel was unbelief and rejection of Jesus Christ. v. 5-9

THE EXAMPLE OF THE BELIEVING BEREANS V. 10-12

There was an eager reception of the Gospel.

Many received "the word with great eagerness." (NASB) v. 11

Some of those in Berea set a wonderful example for you. Search the Scripture to make sure that what is taught and preached is true. This is not a call to distrust the preacher or teacher, but rather it is a call to trust and study the Bible. If what is preached is true, it will be found to be in agreement with the Scripture. By their receptivity and trust in the Scripture, the Bereans showed a stronger faith than the Thessalonians. After hearing Paul and studying God's Word for themselves, the Bereans recognized that Jesus was the Messiah and the Savior. They received Christ by faith.

Have you had a believing response to the Gospel? How do you respond to the truth of the Scripture?

Study Questions for Thurs., 6:00 PM. Acts 17:1-15

- 1. What did Paul do for three Sabbaths in a row in Thessalonica?
- 2. What was the source of Paul's information that he gave to the
- Thessalonians? What did Christ have to do prophetically? V.3
- **3.** What were the responses to Paul's preaching in Thessalonica? V. 4, 5

4. What kind of responses should you expect when you share the gospel with others? What kind of responses have you received when you shared the gospel in the past?

5. What did the unbelieving Jews do after Paul's preaching? V. 5-9 What wonderful things does the Scripture say about the Berean's response to Paul's preaching of the Scripture?

6. In what ways should you be like the Bereans?

What caused Paul to leave Berea?

7. What do you learn about God and people in this passage?