



OBSTACLES

On the Road to Christ
- INCREDULITY
Luke 11:29-32

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1. Beware Our Aversion to _____ (v.32)

Luke 11:29 When the crowds were increasing, he began to say, "This generation is an evil generation. It seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah. **30** For as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. **31** The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here. **32** The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. (ESV)

2. Beware Our Aversion to _____ (v.31)

3. Let _____ (vv.29-30)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **2 Thessalonians 2:10**. Describe the distinction between people who are honestly unconvinced of the biblical claims regarding Christ and those who refuse to believe the truth.
2. Read **Isaiah 30:9-11**. Besides finding false teachers to endorse their errant thoughts, what are some of the common ways people stubbornly seek to avoid feeling any guilt or conviction regarding their sins?
3. Read **2 Corinthians 7:8-10**. Describe a situation when your embrace of the truth was initially painful.
4. Read **Proverbs 12:1**. Assuming you can recall paying the price for shunning God's wisdom and biblical correction, how would you explain what it means to "love" discipline?
5. Read **1 Thessalonians 2:13**. In your evangelism and discipleship what are some adjustments you can make to engage others more directly with the "living and active" word of God?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

October 4th
Is. 29-30 & Eph. 6

October 5th
Is. 31-33 & Phil. 1

October 6th
Is. 34-36 & Phil. 2

October 7th
Is. 37-38 & Phil. 3

October 8th
Is. 39-40 & Phil. 4

October 9th
Is. 41-42 & Col. 1

October 10th
Is. 43-44 & Col. 2

October 11th
Is. 45-47 & Col. 3

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 10-05 – ***Evangelistic Opposition: How to Respond to Objections***

Msg. 06-11 – ***Striving for Punctual Spiritual Growth***

Msg. 12-18 – ***Guilt and Forgiveness***

Msg. 11-35 – ***Keeping a Clear Conscience***

Msg. 04-21 – ***Reaffirming God's Word as Our Ultimate Authority***

Msg. 11-14 – ***Did It Really Happen? Why We Actually Believe in the Resurrection***

Msg. 04-25 – ***A Brief Study of When God Breaks the Rules He Made***

This Week's Social Media Hashtag

#DestroyingObstacles

For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today's sermon.

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Craig, William Lane. ***Assessing NT Evidence for the Historicity of the Resurrection of Jesus***. Mellen, 1989.

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Habermas, Gary and Michael Licona. ***The Case for the Resurrection of Jesus***. Kregel, 2004.

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MacArthur, John. ***The Vanishing Conscience: Drawing the Line in a No-Fault, Guilt-Free World***. Thomas Nelson, 2005.

Mack, Wayne A. ***Humility: The Forgotten Virtue***. P & R Publishing, 2005.

Miller, C. John. ***Repentance and the 20th Century Man***. Christian Literature Crusade, 1975.

Packer, J. I. ***A Quest for Godliness***. Crossway Books, 1994.

Reed, Gerard. ***C. S. Lewis Explores Vice and Virtue***. Beacon Hill Press, 2001.

Roberts, Richard Owen. ***Repentance: The First Word of the Gospel***. Crossway Books, 2002.

Ryle, J. C. ***Holiness: Its Nature, Hindrances, Difficulties and Roots***. Reprint. Charles Nolan Publishers, 2001.

Scott, Stuart. ***From Pride to Humility: A Biblical Perspective***. Focus Publishers, 2003.

Watson, Thomas. ***The Doctrine of Repentance***. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1987.