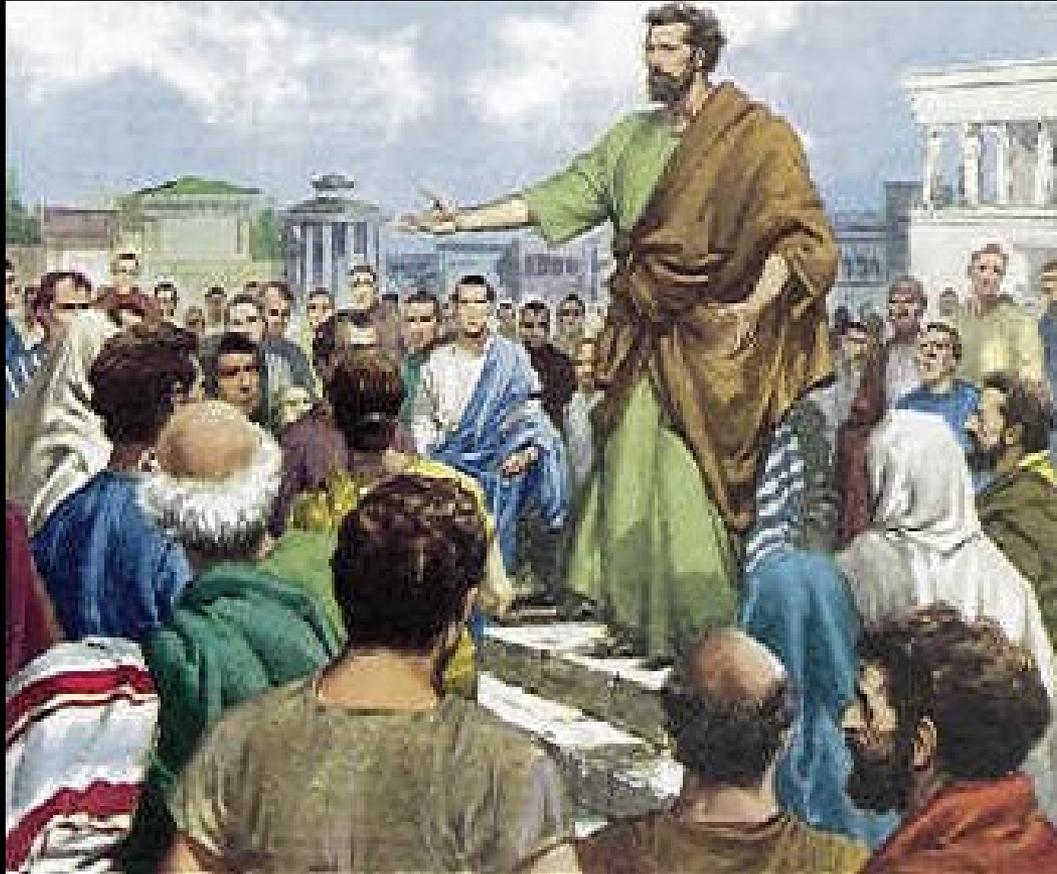


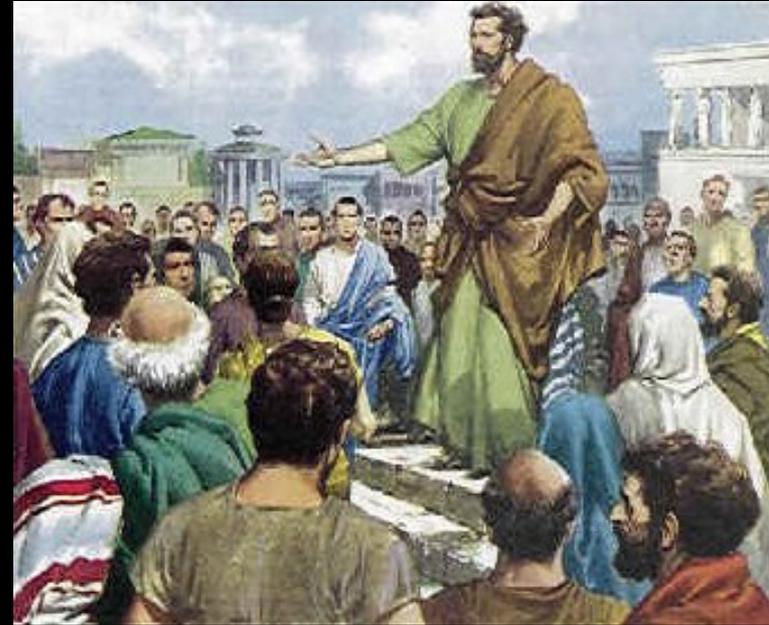
ADAPTATION WITHOUT COMPROMISE



I CORINTHIANS 9:19-23

I. Paul chose to change his methods as he shared the gospel.

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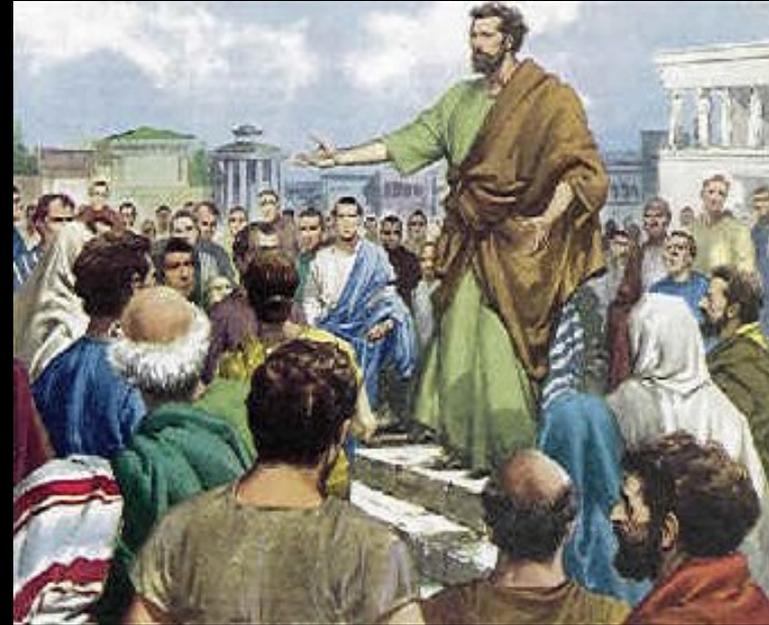
- How did Paul adapt his presentation of the gospel?
- How should we be willing to adapt our presentation of the gospel?

II. Paul shared the portion of the message his audience needed (Acts 17:22-31).



- **Why is this sermon in Athens so different from the sermon on Pentecost?**
- **How do the needs of today's audience affect the ways we share God's word?**

III. Paul didn't ever change the message itself (I Corinthians 2:2).



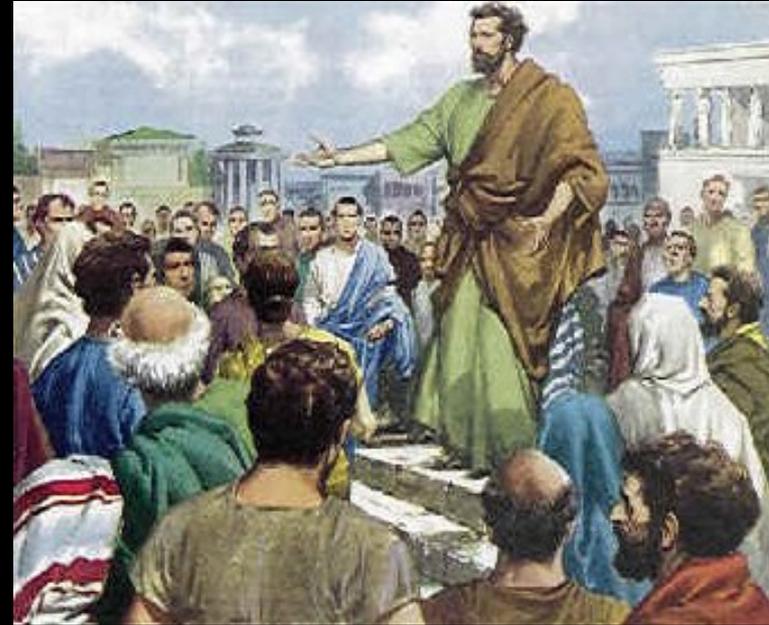
- Why does the essence of the message need to resist being compromised?
- How can Paul tailor the message without changing it?
- What can we do to make sure that the message we share is God's truth?

IV. The small group ministries here will not compromise the truth (Acts 5:42).



- **What is the problem with too much loyalty to traditions? (Matthew 15:1-9)**
- **How can small groups use biblical methods to reach our neighbors?**

V. Small groups allow us to adapt methods to reach our changing community.



- How can small groups provide a more natural environment for friendships?
- How can small groups help us meet specific needs? (**Acts 12:12; 20:20**)

Call to Action: To use the biblical model of small groups to better adapt the unchanging message to our community.



- Why is it so important that we do not compromise the truth of the message?
- Why is it so important that we adapt our methods to meet the needs of others?
- What should we do if proven methods of outreach differ from our traditions?
- What do you need to pray about?

-How can we help?