"We are ambassadors for Christ...

We beg on behalf of Christ, 'Be reconciled to God.'"

II Corinthians 5:20

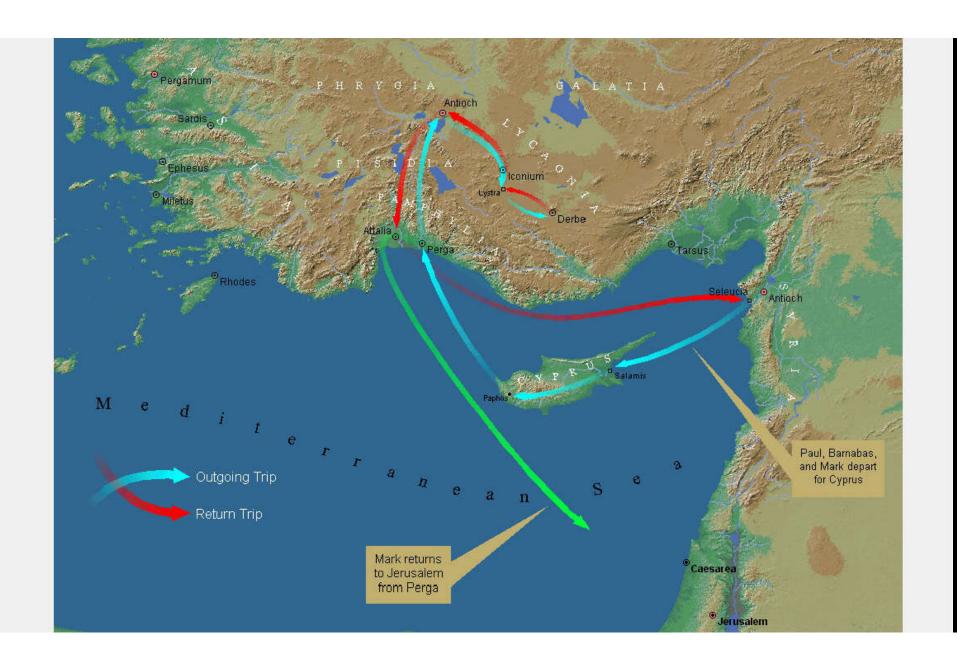
JOHN 4

JESUS AND THE SAMARITAN WOMAN AT THE WELL

When dealing with people who may be "hostile"...

First, seek to "defuse" their hostility by the life you live.

Paul's First Missionary Trip...



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Sermon in the synagogue at Antioch, Acts 13:14-41

When dealing with people who are already "religious"... start with what you have in common, and build on that to present Christ to them!

Evangelizing "Religious" People: Acts 13:16-41

 Affirm and build on what you have in common!, 16-20.

Agree with them on the things you can agree on!

- Connect them...and you...with God!, 17-22.
- Transition naturally from what you have in common...and what they know...to what you know they NEED to know!, 22-23

Evangelizing "Religious" People: Acts 13:16-41

- Turn and then keep the focus on Jesus, 23-27.
- Present the gospel, clearly!, 28-31
- Defend the gospel, as needed, 32-37
- Clarify that salvation does not come by religion or works!, 38-39.

Evangelizing "Religious" People: Acts 13:16-41

 Explain that forgiveness of sins comes through faith in Jesus, 38-39.

Emphasize that the gospel is **exclusive**!

• Warn them of the danger of rejecting the truth!, 40-41.

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