Embrace Holy Living



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Acts 13:13-25

What Paul did in Acts 13 was especially clever. He quietly sat down as all the other members of the synagogue listened to God's Word from the Law and the Prophets. After the message, he waited for an invitation from the local leaders for anyone to speak an exhortation. Paul spent some time establishing all that he had in common with the people there. Only after he made those connections, did he introduce the fundamental difference in their faith.

Paul did not wander into the synagogue by accident. Nor was he just waiting for someone to ask him specifically about Jesus. He put himself in a position where he could talk to others about Christ, and seized the moment when it was open to him.

We must also live our lives in a courageous love. We are called to love God and love our fellow human beings. We must create (but not force) openings for conversations and questions about what makes a life lived for God distinct from those around us. We have to be ready to seize a moment when the opportunity arises.

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