

# CrossWalk **notes**

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## Directed

### Directed to Not Throw Fuel on the Fire

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#### How does God want us to handle hard spiritual conversations?

<sup>23</sup> About that time there arose a great disturbance about the Way. **Acts 19:23, NIV**

The gospel either \_\_\_\_\_ comfort or \_\_\_\_\_ anger.

<sup>30</sup> Paul wanted to appear before the crowd, but the disciples would not let him. <sup>31</sup> Even some of the officials of the province, friends of Paul, sent him a message begging him not to venture into the theater. **Acts 19:30-31, NIV**

When emotions run \_\_\_\_\_, seek \_\_\_\_\_ input from Christ-like friends.

<sup>9</sup> ...The pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. **Proverbs 27:9, NIV**

<sup>32</sup> The assembly was in confusion: Some were shouting one thing, some another. Most of the people did not even know why they were there. **Acts 19:32, NIV**

Recognize that human nature is attracted to \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>3</sup> All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. <sup>4</sup> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. **Ephesians 2:3-5, NIV**

Remember that God's nature is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ . Let's strive to \_\_\_\_\_ that!

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<sup>37</sup> You have brought these men here, though they have neither robbed temples nor blasphemed our goddess. <sup>38</sup> If, then, Demetrius and his fellow craftsmen have a grievance against anybody, the courts are open and there are proconsuls. They can press charges. **Acts 19:37-38, NIV**

<sup>23</sup> When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup> "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."  
**1 Peter 2:23-24, NIV**

<sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone...<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. **Romans 12:18,21, NIV**

Strive to put out the \_\_\_\_\_ with the cooling \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel.

## MEMORY VERSE

<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. **Romans 12:21, NIV**

**My next step:** When hard spiritual conversations happen, I will strive to reflect God's nature by lovingly, and peacefully, sharing the gospel at the right time.

What's your next step?

Mark it on your connect card.