



Today's Message: Childhood & Home Environment

Sermon Series: The Jesus Way

Scripture: Acts 17:24-27

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- I. **Introduction:** What are you going to do with “your dash”?

- II. **Scriptural reading:** Acts 17:24-27
 - The *Mighty God* has created us (vs. 24-25).
 - The *Sovereign God* has placed us (vs. 26-27).

- III. **Recognizing diversity in home environments**
 - Some family units look very different than other family units.
 - Some home environments are healthier than other home environments.

- IV. **A couple suggested prayers:**
 - *God, what was the redeeming value of placing me where you placed me?*
 - *God, in what way were you shaping me as a child for my life purposes?*

V. **How does the Lord redeem difficult childhood years?**

- Lies are exchanged with truth (John 8:32).
- Painful memories are healed through Christ (2 Corinthians 1:4).
- We observe patterns that speak to life purpose or a sense of destiny (Gen. 37:3-11).