



# OBSTACLES

*On the Road to Christ*  
- DIVERSION  
Luke 11:27-28

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1. Don't Let \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.27-28)

**Luke 11:27** As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!"  
**28** But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" (ESV)

2. Beware of \_\_\_\_\_ (v.27)

3. Let Nothing \_\_\_\_\_ (v.28)

# Application Questions

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.*

1. Read **Matthew 7:21-23**. What do you suppose are some of the specific and perhaps subtle indicators that might hint to the fact that someone is familiar with Christ, associated with his people, and even engaged in church ministries, but does not genuinely "know" Christ?
2. Read **Mark 3:20-21, 31-35**. How do these two episodes in Christ's life help you to see the priority of our following Christ over familiarity with Christ?
3. Read **2 Corinthians 11:2-4**. In our generation, how are Jesus and Christianity counterfeited to divert people from "pure devotion" to the real Christ of the Bible.
4. Read **Psalms 119:161-168**. How would you respond to someone who says you should focus less on the Bible and more on God? What do you think people mean by giving this kind of advice?
5. Read **2 Peter 1:19-21**. What will you do to personally engage with God's word this week? How can you improve the setting and focus of your mind during your study of God's word?

## *This Week's Bible Reading Schedule*

**September 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.23-24 & 2Cor.5*

**September 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.25-27 & 2Cor.6*

**September 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.28-29 & 2Cor.7*

**September 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.30-31 & 2Cor.8*

**September 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.1-3 & 2Cor.9*

**September 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.4-6 & 2Cor.10*

**September 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.7-9 & 2Cor.11:1-15*

**September 20<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.10-12 & 2Cor.11:16-33*

*The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).*

Msg. 05-28 – **Being Extra Careful to Always Take Hold of God's Truth**

Msg. 12-34 – **Mary: God's Humble Teenager**

Msg. 05-39 – **Mary's First Christmas**

Msg. 09-02 – **The Bible & Your Salvation: The Centrality of Scripture**

Msg. 14-24 – **Your Fraternity of Hearers**

Msg. 14-11 – **Learning to Listen to the King's Prophets**

Msg. 11-27 – **The Centrality of Scripture & Expository Preaching**

## *This Week's Social Media Hashtag*

**#DestroyingObstacles**

*For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today's sermon.*

*Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.*

Bruce, F.F. **The New Testament Documents: Are They Reliable?** Eerdmans Publishing, 1984.

Fee, Gordon D. and Douglas Stuart. **How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth.** Zondervan, 1982.

Geisler, Norman and Ron Rhodes. **Correcting the Cults: Expert Responses to Scripture Twisting.** Baker Books, 2005.

Gromacki, Robert. **The Virgin Birth: A Biblical Study of the Deity of Jesus Christ.** Kress, 2008.

Hendricks, Howard G. and William D. Hendricks. **Living By the Book.** Moody Press, 1991.

House, H. Wayne. **Charts of Cults, Sects & Religious Movements.** Zondervan, 2000.

Lightner, Robert. **A Biblical Case for Total Inerrancy: How Jesus Viewed the Old Testament.** Kregel Publications, 1998.

Logos Research Systems. **Logos Bible Study Software.** (www.Logos.com).

Machen, J. Gresham. **The Virgin Birth of Christ: A Classic Defense of the Supernatural Birth of Our Lord.** SGB, 2011.

McCarthy, James. **The Gospel According to Rome: Comparing Catholic Tradition and the Word of God.** Harvest, 1995.

McDowell, Josh and Don Stewart. **Handbook of Today's Religions.** Thomas Nelson, 1996.

Miller, Elliot and Ken Samples. **The Cult of the Virgin: Catholic Mariology & the Apparitions of Mary.** Baker, 1992.

Rhodes, Ron. **Handbook on Cults & New Religions: What Do They Believe?** Harvest House Publishers, 2005.

Saucy, Robert. **Scripture: Its Power, Authority, and Relevance.** Word Publishing, 2001.

Sire, James W. **Scripture Twisting: Twenty Ways the Cults Misread the Bible.** InterVarsity Press, 1980.