

APPROACH

How do we take knowledge to others
in a way that glorifies God?

POP QUIZ

What is Approach

Defined - ap·proach

verb

1. come near or nearer to (someone or something) in distance.
2. speak to (someone) for the first time about something,
3. start to deal with (something) in a certain way.

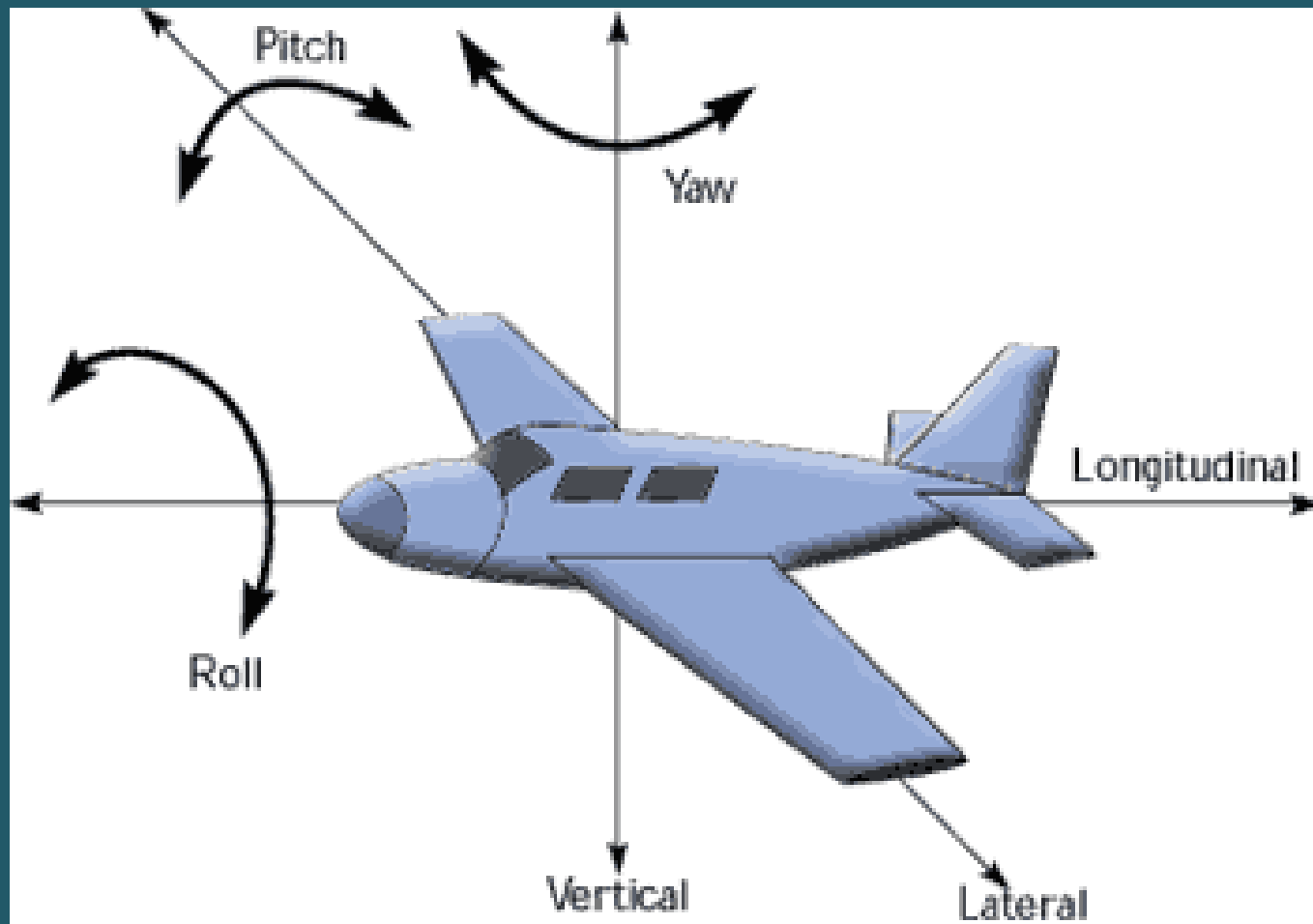
noun

1. a way of dealing with something.
2. an act of speaking to someone for the first time about something, typically a proposal or request.

Aviation

- An approach is the path that an airplane follows to make a safe landing. It takes its name from the fact that this path is ideally a gentle downward slope. An approach is guided by the airplanes attitude.
- Attitude is orientation in space, that is the value of three angles:
 - heading or yaw (around the yaw axis)
 - pitch (around the lateral axis)
 - roll or bank (around the longitudinal axis)

So what does that look like?



Controlling Attitude

- An attitude indicator (AI) is an instrument used in an aircraft to inform the pilot of the orientation of the aircraft relative to Earth's horizon.
- So why might that be important to us?



Two Critical Human Attitudes

- **Mirroring** - is the behavior in which one person subconsciously imitates the gesture, speech pattern, or attitude of another. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mirroring_\(psychology\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mirroring_(psychology))
- **Projection** - is a form of defense in which unwanted feelings are displaced onto another person, where they then appear as a threat from the external world. A common form of projection occurs when an individual, threatened by his own angry feelings, accuses another of harboring hostile thoughts. (Encyclopedia Britannica)

MIRRORING

- Proverbs 27:17; 15:1



Projection

- Gen 3:9-13



Why is this important?



Saving Souls

- Categories of people you might approach:
 - Lost and hostile
 - Lost and skeptical
 - Lost and looking
 - Straying or weak brother or sister

Where to start?

- Listen and get the facts:
 - Proverbs 18: 13-17
- Determine if they are hostile/skeptical:
 - Matt 10; Matt 7
- Meet them where they are:
 - Acts 17:15-34 (Paul in Athens)

Paul didn't come on too strong



Some Pitfalls to Avoid



Give a defense not an offense

- Gal 5:22-23
- Gal 6:1
- 1 Tim 5:1-2
- Matt 18 (first go alone to win your brother)
- Matt 22:39 “love your neighbor as yourself”