

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Acts 17:27**ACTS 17-1**

God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us.

"PROCLAIMING THE UNKNOWN GOD"
READ Acts 17:1-34

DAY 1 READ Acts 17:1-34

1. What new things did you learn in last week's lesson and/or lecture?
2. In which city did the . . .
 - a. brothers send Paul and Silas away?
 - b. brothers send Paul to the coast?
 - c. people want to hear Paul again?

DAY 2 REVIEW Acts 17:1-9

- 3.a. Leaving Philippi, Paul and Silas came to Thessalonica. At the synagogue, what did Paul want to prove from the Scriptures?
 - b. Who was persuaded by Paul's preaching?
- 4.a. The Jews were jealous, so they:
 . . . rounded up

 . . . formed

 . . . started
 - b. What charge did they bring against Jason and the missionaries?
5. It was risky to be involved with Paul and to follow Jesus. What do you risk to be involved with Jesus?

 . . . by being vocal about your Christianity?

DAY 3 REVIEW Acts 17:10-15

6. How did the Thessalonian church respond to threats toward Paul and Silas?

DAY 3 (Continued) REVIEW Acts 17:10-15

- 7.a. The Bereans were "more noble character" than the Thessalonians. Why?
- b. What does that phrase mean to you?
8. Who did the following:
- a. believed Paul's message?
 - b. stirred up trouble?
 - c. left?
 - d. stayed?
9. Paul referred to having a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). It may have been a physical problem; however, how do you think these disruptive Jews could also be considered "a thorn in his flesh?"

DAY 4 REVIEW Acts 17:16-21

- 10.a. While in Athens, Paul felt _____. Why?
- b. Do you think Paul would be comfortable in your city? What "idols" would he see?
- 11.a. With whom did Paul reason?
- b. What group began to dispute him and why?
- 12.a. How are the Athenians and foreigners described in verse 21?
- b. What are some of the "latest ideas" people devote their time to today?

DAY 5 REVIEW Acts 17:22-34

- 13.a. Paul addressed the Athenians in verse 22 as "very religious." Explain what you think the difference is between "having faith" and "being religious."
- b. What did Paul find in Athens that gave him an "opening" to preach Christ?
- 14.a. Paul wanted the Areopagus to know the true God. From verses 24-31, write the number of the verse or verses in Paul's sermon that apply to God.
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| _____ as Creator | _____ commanding all to repent |
| _____ having control of the universe | _____ judging the world through |
| _____ as the giver of life and breath | His Son |
| _____ as being close to us | _____ raising Jesus from the dead |
| _____ not being worshipped through
statues or images | |
- b. Which verse from Paul's sermon was most meaningful to you and why?
- 15.a. Describe the responses from Paul's audience.
- b. . . . the results?
16. The ideas of repentance, resurrection and judgment were foreign to the thinking of the Greeks in Athens and Paul soon moved on. Why is it necessary from these Scriptures that Christians accept those concepts as foundations of the faith?
- a. Repentance
Acts 17:30

2 Corinthians 7:10
- b. Resurrection
John 6:40

John 11:25
- c. Judgment
2 Corinthians 5:10

Romans 8:1

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS:

**HISTORY NOTES: See peopleoftheword.online (Archive)
Niklaus von Zinzendorf 1700-1760**

Jonathan Edwards 1703-1758