



A New Mission

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

THE GOSPEL AND RELIGION

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In Acts 17, Jesus's mission reaches the ancient city of Athens, the birthplace of Western philosophy. The Apostle Paul finds his greatest challenge yet in communicating Jesus's message. However, he believes the Gospel is big enough to address the great questions of his day.

Read & Discuss Acts 17:16-28.

- Have you ever felt overwhelmed by sharing the Gospel with others?
- What does Paul model here as a key principle in beginning a Gospel conversation with people who may be far from God (Acts 17:23)?
- What is Paul's starting point for his message, and why might he choose this approach (Acts 17:20, 24-26)?
- When was the last time you shared your faith with someone with little background in the Bible or the Christian faith? How did it go?
- What does Paul suggest is God's purpose in his careful providence in our personal lives (Acts 17:27)? (see Deuteronomy 4:29)
- Do you believe that the Gospel can address the big questions of our culture today?

Pray Together

Holy Spirit, give me the courage and strength to move out in my witness to others with the Gospel of Jesus today.