# PROCLAIMING

Αγνώστω Θεώ

# THE UNKNOWN GOD Acts 17:16-34

## Appealing to the Audience

Appealing to Their Religious Background (v. 22). (2 Tim. 2:24-26)

Paul Observed that They Worshipped God (v. 23). (Lev. 10:1-3; Jer. 32:35)

An Opportunity to Proclaim God (v. 23). (1 Cor. 9:22; 1 Thess. 1:9)

#### God Is the Creator

God Is the Creator of All Things (v. 24). (Gen. 1:1, 2; Hos. 13:4)

God Is Above All Creation (v. 24). (Matt. 1:23; John 4:24; Acts 7:48-50)

There Is a Proper Way to Worship Him (v. 25).

(John 4:24; Mark 7:6, 7)

#### Created to Seek and Find Him

Mankind Created with Limitations (v. 26). (Gen. 1:14-28; Psa. 90:10; Eccl. 12:7; 2 Peter 3:10)

Finding God as Humble Humans (v. 27). (Gen. 1:27; 2:7; 1 John 4:9, 10; Rev. 21:2, 3)

God Is Our Father and Life-Giver (v. 28). (Jer. 1:5; Matt. 10:30; Eph. 2:10)

## Command to Repent

We Are the Created, Not the Creators (v. 29). (Jer. 2:26, 27; Isa. 29:16)

Salvation by Repentance (v. 30).

(Acts 2:38; 3:19)

Because All Will be Judged (v. 31). (2 Cor. 5:10; John 12:48)

#### A Mixed Reaction

Some Did Not Believe (v. 32).

Paul Moved On (v. 33).

But Paul Did Not Leave Alone (v. 34).

#### Lessons from Paul:

Use the Opportunities Given to Us. Do Not Disregard Potential Believers. Start at the Beginning. Establish God as Who He Is. **Encourage Action.** Warn of the Coming Judgment. Know Not Everyone Will Listen. **But Some Will!**