

# Week #13

Topic: God's mission is our redemption.

Takeaway: God puts the desire to know him inside everyone.

## ACTIVATE

A STUDY THROUGH THE BOOK OF ACTS

## Welcome / Open in Prayer

**Introductions:** Share the topic & takeaway this week from above.

**Review from Last Week:** As a Christian, have you aligned your behavior with your beliefs?

**God Stories:** A God Story is an undeniable encounter or experience that creates an impact or breakthrough in a person's day-to-day life.

**Review the Guidelines:** Share the guidelines to set the rails for group time.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT | CONFIDENTIALITY | LISTEN | PAUSE | SILENCE | NO "CROSS TALK"  
NO FIXING | NO RESCUING | SHARING | SELF AWARE | "I" STATEMENTS | CONFLICT



Ask a thought-provoking question to get the group focused

If someone made a statue of you, what pose would be most appropriate? What inscription?

Share background and provide context to the bible story

In this passage, Paul arrives in Athens, a city known for its intellectual pursuits and philosophical debates. There, he encounters Athenians, including Epicureans who prioritized pleasure and rejected the idea of resurrection, and Stoics who valued reason and self-sufficiency while also denying an afterlife. Brought before the Areopagus, the Athenian council overseeing religion and education, Paul speaks about a God previously unknown to them and the concept of resurrection.

1 SHARE THE STORY  
(Acts 17:19-34)

2 REBUILD THE STORY

3 READ THE STORY



Dive Deeper  
WITH DISCUSSION  
QUESTIONS

- 1) How does Paul use their culture and ideas to help them see the weakness in their beliefs and relationships with deities?
- 2) How would you have felt, and why, if you were in Paul's shoes, presenting your beliefs to a skeptical audience?
- 3) How can we share our faith with others in a way that is respectful and engaging, even if their beliefs differ from ours?
- 4) Group leader, ask a question from your Sunday notes.

ASSIGN NEXT WEEKS STORY (Psalm 88:1-18) | PRAYER REQUESTS\* | ASK A VOLUNTEER TO CLOSE IN PRAYER

\*Share & record prayer requests & follow up throughout the week