



# NOTES

## Consumed



WEEK FOUR

### John 4:23

The time is coming when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, and that time is here already. You see, the Father too is actively seeking such people to worship him. (NCV)

### Acts 17:11

These people were more willing to listen than the people in Thessalonica. The Bereans were eager to hear what Paul and Silas said and studied the Scriptures every day to find out if these things were true. (NCV)

### Acts 17:14-15

<sup>14</sup> The believers quickly sent Paul away to the coast, but Silas and Timothy stayed in Berea. <sup>15</sup> The people leading Paul went with him to Athens. Then they carried a message from Paul back to Silas and Timothy for them to come to him as soon as they could. (NCV)

### Acts 17:17

In the synagogue, he talked with the Jews and the Greeks who worshiped God. He also talked every day with people in the marketplace. (NCV)

**CHRISTIANS SHOULD TELL THE STORY OF JESUS IN THE CHURCH AND IN THE WORLD.**

- **Epicurean Philosophers** - taught that “personal HAPPINESS” is the supreme good and truth.
- **Stoic Philosophers** - taught that “people living in accord with NATURE” is the supreme good and truth.

**Acts 17:18-21** <sup>18</sup> Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers argued with him, saying, "This man doesn't know what he is talking about. What is he trying to say?" Others said, "He seems to be telling us about some other gods," because Paul was telling them about Jesus and his rising from the dead. <sup>19</sup> They got Paul and took him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said, "Please explain to us this new idea you have been teaching. <sup>20</sup> The things you are saying are new to us, and we want to know what this teaching means." <sup>21</sup> (All the people of Athens and those from other countries who lived there always used their time to talk about the newest ideas.) (NCV)

**Acts 17:22-34** <sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood before the meeting of the Areopagus and said, "People of Athens, I can see you are very religious in all things. <sup>23</sup> As I was going through your city, I saw the objects you worship. I found an altar that had these words written on it: TO A GOD WHO IS NOT KNOWN. You worship a god that you don't know, and this is the God I am telling you about! <sup>24</sup> The God who made the whole world and everything in it is the Lord of the land and the sky. He does not live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup> This God is the One who gives life, breath, and everything else to people. He does not need any help from them; he has everything he needs. <sup>26</sup> God began by making one person, and from him came all the different people who live everywhere in the world. God decided exactly when and where they must live. <sup>27</sup> God wanted them to look for him and perhaps search all around for him and find him, though he is not far from any of us: <sup>28</sup> 'By his power we live and move and exist.' Some of your own poets have said: 'For we are his children.' <sup>29</sup> Since we are God's children, you must not think that God is like something that people imagine or make from gold, silver, or rock. <sup>30</sup> In the past, people did not understand God, and he ignored this. But now, God tells all people in the world to change their hearts and lives. <sup>31</sup> God has set a day that he will judge all the world with fairness, by the man he chose long ago. And God has proved this to everyone by raising that man from the dead!" <sup>32</sup> When the people heard about Jesus being raised from the dead, some of them laughed. But others said, "We will hear more about this from you later." <sup>33</sup> So Paul went away from them. <sup>34</sup> But some of the people believed Paul and joined him. Among those who believed was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, a woman named Damaris, and some others. (NCV)

- 1) Be willing to go WHEREVER the Lord leads.
- 2) Never stop TELLING the story of Jesus.
- 3) The Gospel will cause DIVISION.
- 4) Tell the story in their CULTURAL language.

### 1 Corinthians 9:22

To those who are weak, I became weak so I could win the weak. I have become all things to all people so I could save some of them in any way possible. (NCV)