

THE GOD YOU NEED TO KNOW *Acts 17:16–34*

BIG IDEA: The world is full of little gods that cannot save or satisfy, but the one true God has made Himself known through Jesus.

1. IDOLS CANNOT SAVE OR SATISFY YOU

Acts 17:22–23 | Romans 1:22–25 | Isaiah 44:9–20 | Jeremiah 2:13

Idolatry happens when we take something _____ and ask it to give us what only the _____ can provide.

We create idols. God created us. Idols take everything from us. God needs nothing and gives us everything.

The problem is not simply having these things. The problem is when these things _____ us.

Questions to Consider:

What am I trusting to give me security, identity, satisfaction, peace, or hope?

What has been receiving the devotion, trust, attention, sacrifice, or obedience that belongs to God alone?

Created things were never designed to carry the weight of your soul.

2. THE GOD YOU NEED TO KNOW

Acts 17:24–31 | Psalm 115:3–8 | Isaiah 46:9–10 | Hebrews 13:8 | James 2:19 | Jeremiah 9:23–24 | Colossians 1:15–17

Paul reminds us who God is:

CREATOR — He made the world and everything in it.

LORD — He rules over heaven and earth.

GIVER — He needs nothing and gives us life, breath, and everything.

SOVEREIGN — He rules over history, nations, times, and boundaries.

UNCHANGING — Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

NEAR — He is not far from each one of us.

HOLY — He calls all people everywhere to repent.

JUDGE — He will judge the world in righteousness.

REVEALED IN JESUS — The invisible God has made Himself known through His Son.

The world changes. Circumstances change. People change. **But God does not change.**

Our circumstances may affect how clearly we see God, but they never alter the character of God. We must always Remember Who God Is.

The Question We Must Answer:

Do I truly know God—or have I settled for knowing about Him?

Knowing that God exists is not the same as knowing God. The greatest privilege available to humanity is knowing God.

MY RESPONSE TODAY

☐ **REPENT** — Something has taken the place that belongs to God alone.

☐ **COME TO JESUS** — I know about God, but I need to begin a relationship with Him.

☐ **SEEK & TRUST HIM** — I need to remember who God is and trust Him again.

☐ **WORSHIP HIM** — I know Him, love Him, and want to declare again that He is worthy.

What is God calling me to do in response to His Word today?