

## TEXT: Acts 17

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you're not a member, go from attending to engaging by joining us for The Weekender on October 27 & 29, register at [redeemerchurch.com/events](http://redeemerchurch.com/events).
  - Our next Parent Commissioning will take place on November 19th, if you are a covenant member and would like to participate in this, you can sign at [redeemerchurch.com/events](http://redeemerchurch.com/events).
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**Ice Breaker: What are some ways the world has changed from when you were growing up?**

**BIG IDEA: The Gospel destroys our idols.**

### Questions

Read v16-18

- How would you define or describe idolatry?
  - *"Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security."* - **New City Catechism**

Read v19-23

- What are your idols?
  - *"My sin was this, that not in him but in his creatures—myself and others—I sought for pleasures, honors, and truths, and so fell headlong into sorrows, confusions, errors."* - **Augustine of Hippo**
- What are some of the differences of what idols and God require of us and promise to us?

Read v24-32

- What, or who, are you becoming like?
  - *"We become like what we worship"* - **G.K. Beale**
  - **2 Corinthians 3:17-18** *"17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at, the glory of the Lord and are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory; this is from the Lord who is the Spirit."*
- What response have you personally had, seen others have, or seen in scripture when the Gospel confronts our idols?
  - As Paul left, there were three reactions:
    1. Some people mocked. Anytime that we make the gospel clear and idols begin to die, people will get defensive. When you attack someone's idol they will fight back.
    2. Some people were curious. They realized that their idols weren't enough, but they weren't ready to repent and believe. So, they wanted to hear more.
    3. For others the gospel will kill their idols and in the vacuum left behind they will turn to Jesus and find salvation.