

## Bible study for the week starting January 29, 2023

### SHARE

The Bible is a unified story pointing to Jesus. Have you ever tried to convince or explain to someone who did not know/ believe to come to a belief in Jesus Christ using the scriptures? (Share your story)

### READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

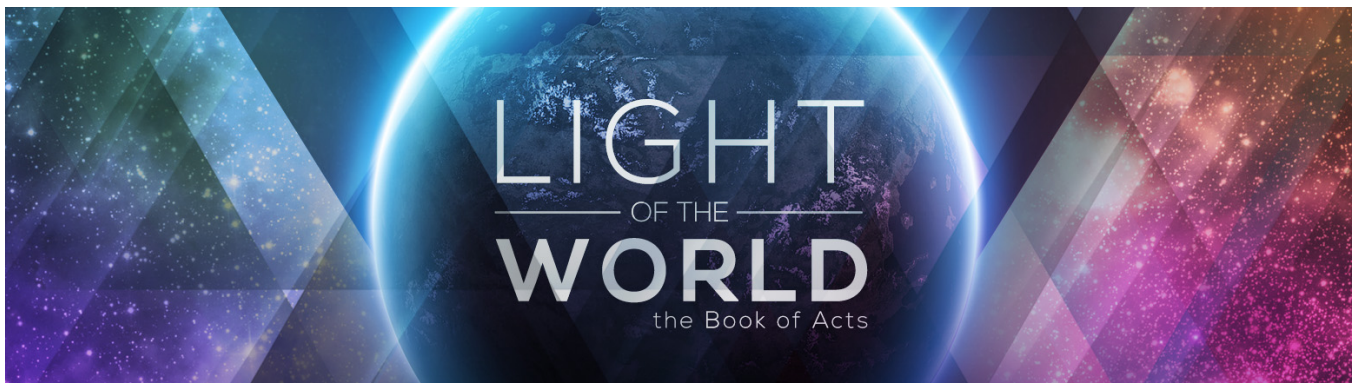
1. Read **ACTS 17:1-9**
2. “Some were persuaded.” Others “were jealous and formed a mob.” How have the reactions varied when you have shared your faith or when people have found out that you are a Christian?

Jesus claimed a kingdom not of this world, and Paul and Silas spoke of the same. But to a Roman, the charge sounded very much like a breach of the oath of loyalty that every person in the empire was required to render to Caesar.

3. Do we see this at all today; does the Christian Kingdom (which is not of this world) become at odds with the worldly kingdoms of today? How are the differences handled?
4. Read **ACTS 17:10-15**.
5. How did the Bereans check to see if what Paul and Silas were saying was true?
6. How often do you spend time examining the scriptures?
7. There are many theologians, pastors, teachers, and writers: all with different opinions and interpretations of scriptural significance. How do you test to see what you are being told is true? (1 John 4:1-6)
8. Have you ever heard something from a theologian or spiritual leader that you thought didn't really fit in to the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
9. Are you equipped to defend and fulfill the charge found in 2 Timothy 4:1-5?

### PRAY

Pray that God give us a passion for the word of God that gives us a foundation for our lives. Pray that His truth might give light to our feet and brighten the path.



## Acts 17:1-15 “Eager Examination”

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*“Your Word is a LAMP to my feet and a LIGHT to my path” (Ps 119:105).*

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*Bible : BOOK*

*40+ AUTHORS and yet inspired by One HOLY SPIRIT.*

*Written over the course of 2,000 years.*

- 1) All Scripture—Old and New Testament—is one story pointing us to JESUS.*
- 2) In a world with infinite information, the WORD offers us the only true FOUNDATION.*
- 3) Eager examination of Scripture will always lead to an inner examination of our own HEARTS.*

*“For the Word of God is LIVING and ACTIVE, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12).*

*For next week read Acts 17:16-34*