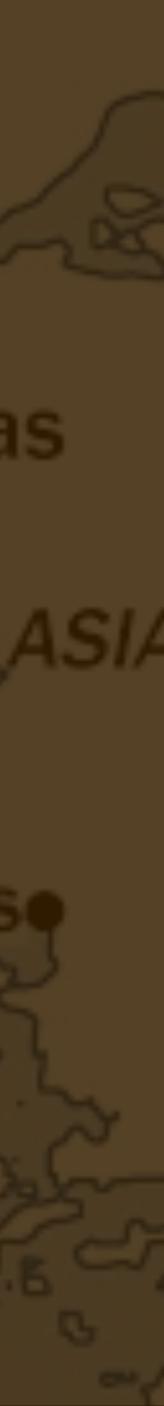
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Second Mission: 16:1 - 18:22 Asia & Macedonia/Greece

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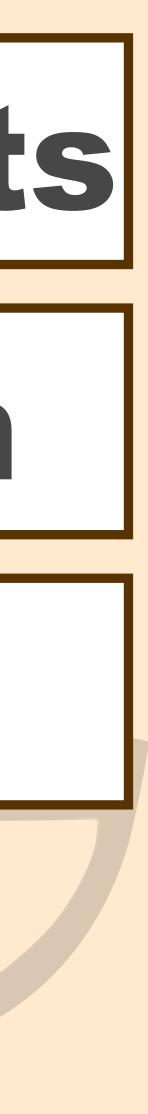




Paul's 2nd Mission Joys

16:26-34 / Miraculous Moments

16:35-40 / Worldly Vindication



Paul's 2nd Mission Trials 15:36-41 / Interpersonal Issues 16:6-10 / Vision & Direction 16:16-18/ Public Relations **16:19-24/ Persecution**



Paul's 2nd Mission Trials 17:1-9 / Ministry Envy/Jealousy





17:16-34 / Apathy & Indifference







Center of Ed., Art, philosophy, etc -philosophers like Socrates, Plato & Aristotle originated here V.22 "Very Religious" - Possibly 5,000 shrines, 30,000 idols?

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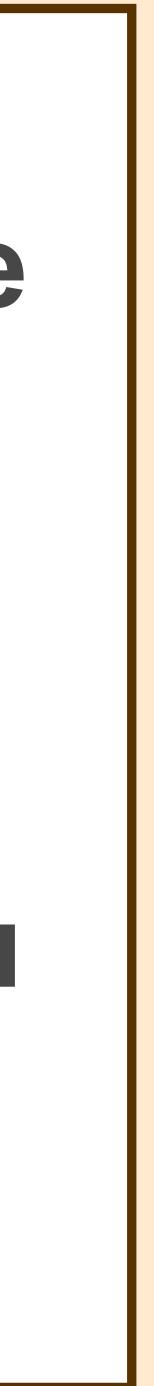
"Unknown god" - sheep turned loose in the streets, then sacrificed



Epicureans: Materialistic not into superstitious, irrational belief in gods Everything happens by chance & if there are gods they don't care) "All in" for pursuit of pleasure today because tomorrow we die! Truth comes by experience

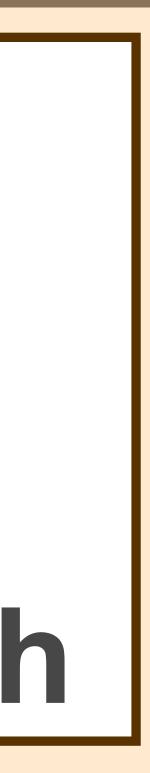


Stoics: Stress unity of mankind along with the gods & duty to them Pantheistic = everything is god Everything happens by the will of the gods or destiny - don't resent it World = revolving circle of events, you die & are absorbed Reason & self sufficiency are the goal in life





Reason & self sufficiency are the goal in life You must learn to restrain the flesh



17:16-34 / Apathy & Indifference



Athens was declining rapidly - morally, physically, in influence, etc *** Key v. 21**



* Their apathy lead to their extreme idolatry = indifferent toward any new belief system

Paul likely seeing the same things in the synagogue & the market place



"14 But they would not listen and were as stiffnecked as their fathers, who did not trust in the Lord their God. 15 They rejected his decrees and the covenant he had made with their fathers and the warnings he had given them. They followed worthless idols and themselves became worthless. They imitated the nations around them although the Lord had ordered them, "Do not do as they do," and they did the things the Lord had forbidden them to do." ~ 2 Kings 17:14-17 | NIV84







"16 They forsook all the commands of the Lord their God and made for themselves two idols cast in the shape of calves, and an Asherah pole. They bowed down to all the starry hosts, and they worshiped Baal. 17 They sacrificed their sons and daughters in the fire. They practiced divination and sorcery and sold themselves to do evil in the eyes of the Lord, provoking him to anger."

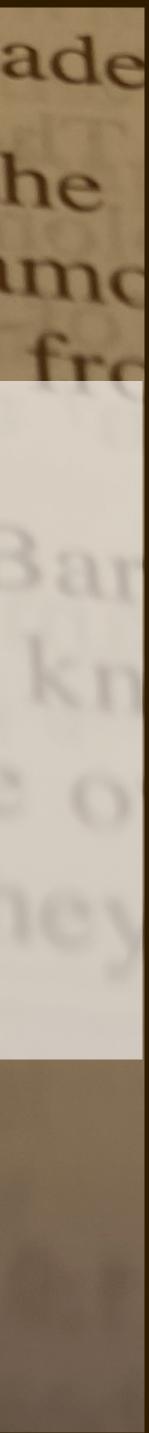
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17:16-34 / Apathy & Indifference Need to learn to be so sure of the truth of God's Word that we can be OK with being called a "babbler"..."hater"...etc Areopagus(Hill of Ares) = 30 member court, senate & school board of higher Ed. wrapped into one group * You will hear this called the "Mars Hill" (Hill of Ares) sermon or message

Touted as one of best messages



Mars Hill Message: God = created everything we see, including humanity Himself not created or made up God wants to be in relationship(not coerced) as family He is going to judge the world -deal with injustice Proof = Resurrection



17:16-34 / Apathy & Indifference

* This message fell flat & I am sure didn't have the effect Paul was hoping for why?

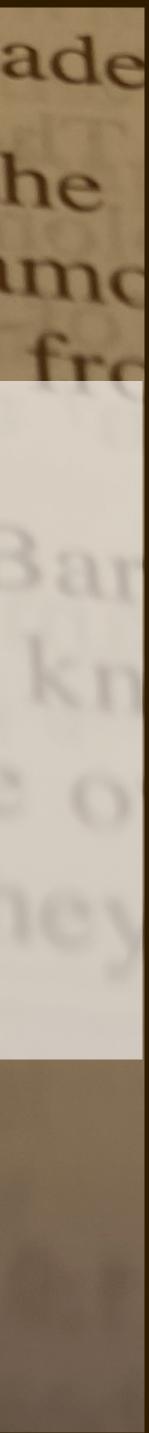
Not as bold? Trying to be relatable? didn't use the Word of God, the name of Jesus, the cross?
Their education & apathy - one of the hardest groups to share the gospel with = Americans



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"Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the

grace that could be theirs."

~ Jonah 2:8 | NIV84

