

Your Turn.
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Passage(s): [Acts 17 16-34 \(NIV\)](#)

Reflection Focus:

The apostle Paul arrives in Athens in Acts 17 and finds a community of people who are very religious. Both those seeking to pursue God and those who are not, are people committed to worshipping idols. Paul seeks to show them that their false gods can't give them the lives they are looking for. That they are worshipping things incapable of delivering on their hope. Yet, Paul takes this opportunity to reveal who the God is they are looking for. A God who they can admit is "unknown to them".

Many of us live our daily lives like the Athenians. We worship false gods wherever we can find them and don't know the true God who we claim to. Paul reveals that Jesus is God and shows how as long as He is unknown to us, we won't be able to make Him known to others. *Instead, Paul invites us know God that we can make Him known.* To crush our idols by seeking God, reaching out to God, and finding God. To become people who in Christ, "live and move and have our being". Doing so will revolutionize the impact we can have and make us those taking our turn in the church and ministering to others Christ's behalf.

Reflection Questions:

1. Share about a time where you put your hope in something that let you down? What happened? What did you learn?
2. **Acts 17:23:** Paul shows how the Athenians worshipped a god "unknown to them." How do idols get in the way of us knowing God more intimately?
3. **Acts 17:28:** How is God calling you to "live, and move, and have your being" in Christ? What idols will you have to crush for that to be possible in your life?
4. **Acts 17:32-34:** Regardless of their potential response, who is God asking you to share Jesus with?
5. How can we pray/hold you accountable to "be the church" in response to your answers above?

Special Invite/Announcement

We are partnering with our landlords at [the Collective](#) to love our neighbors in South Lake Union. We are providing 250 chef-prepared lunches for UW Clinic workers on the front lines of keeping us healthy in this COVID-19 crisis. Buy a meal(s) [HERE](#). Write a thank you note or prayer by May 8th, and send to Amanda Armes at (3223 36th Ave W, Seattle, WA 98199) or info@aseattlechurch.com.