

The Acts of the Apostles

The Growth and Expansion of the Church to the Ends of the Earth

Acts 13:1-28:31 (25)

Paul's Second Missionary Journey (15:36-18:22) (10)

The Background of Athens

- Exhibit #1
- Exhibit #2

C. Paul's Second Missionary Journey (15:36-18:22)

1. The Separation of Paul and Barnabas (15:36-41)
2. The Formation of Paul's Missions Team (16:1-4)
3. The Call to Macedonia (16:6-10)
4. The Outreach in Philippi (16:11-40)
5. The Outreach in Thessalonica (17:1-9)
6. The Outreach in Berea (17:10-15)
7. The Outreach in Athens (17:16-34)
 - In the World Not of It – Wheat & Tares (Mt. 13)
 - In the World Not of It – Immoral Persons (1 Cor. 5)
 - In the World Not of It – Discernment (1 Jn. 4)
 - a. Christ against the Philosophies of Men (17:16-21)
 - 1) Paul's Problem (17:16)
 - provoked urged on, stimulated, irritated, aroused to anger
 - 2) Paul's Response (17:17)
 - 3) The City's Reaction (17:18-21)
 - a) Confusion (17:18)
 - (1) Paul's Opponents (17:18a)
 - Exhibit #3
 - Exhibit #4
 - conversing throw together, discussing, considering, debating, disputing
 - (2) Paul's Depiction (17:18b-c)
 - idle babblers a seed picker (*spermologos*)
 - deities god, demon, demigod (*daimon*)
 - b) Request (17:19)
 - c) Anticipation (17:20-21)

Exhibit #1



Exhibit #2



Exhibit #3

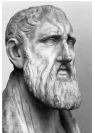


Founder of Epicureanism

- Founded in Athens
- Radical Materialism-Only the material exists and all there is, is this life
- Pursuing pleasure is life's intent
- Developed into hedonism

Epicurus (341-270 BC)

Exhibit #4



Founder of Stoicism

- Founded in Athens
- Materialistic and Pantheistic-Everything is material in its essence and God is in everything
- Blind fate governs the universe and we must accept that and live life rationally, indifferent to all else

Zeno of Citium (334-262 BC)