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"Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.<sup>23</sup> For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.<sup>24</sup> God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; <sup>25</sup> Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; <sup>26</sup> And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; <sup>27</sup> That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: <sup>28</sup> For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring." (Acts 17:22-28)

#### INTRODUCTION \_

#### 1. Only One Man Was \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Three Questions to Be Stirred:**

- What do you do while you wait?
- What burdens and provokes you to anger?
- What will be your response to a world given to idolatry?
  - $\odot$  Boldness with Love
  - $\circ$  Knowledge with Wisdom
  - O Truth with Mercy
  - Prayer with Involvement

# 2. Only One Worldview Is \_\_\_\_\_

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." (Colossians 2:8)

"Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him. <sup>18</sup> Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection." (Acts 17:17–18)

- Epicureans = Pleasure
- Stoics = Pride
- Christianity = Peace

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27)

• A Biblical worldview will bring peace, purpose, perspective, protection, and power.

## 3. Only One God Is

- This One God Is Revealed
- This One God Is Creator
- This One God Is Sovereign
- This One God Is Omnipotent
- This One God Is Self-Sufficient
- This One God Is the Life Giver

### 4. Only One Race \_

- We are all one blood/race.
- Everyone has worth, purpose, and value.
- God is the Creator of all the human race.

# 5. Only One Way to \_\_\_\_\_

- We need to change our minds about:
  - $\circ$  What we think is just.
  - What we think will happen.

○ What we think will appease a holy God.

• We need to realize that the only way out is through a risen Saviour.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

• We need to receive and believe in Christ as our only way. "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6)

#### CONCLUSION \_\_\_\_\_