

Acts Series

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The Acts of the Apostles “To the end of the earth” Acts 1:8

Athens: Understand Your Audience Acts 17:16–34





PAUL'S FIRST AND SECOND



Nicopolis

Ioannina

Dodona

Lake Pamvotis

Meteora

Spathes

Mt. Olympus

Dion

Tempe

Berea

Thessalonica

Amphipolis

Philippi

Neapolis

Alexandroupolis

Via Egnatia

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Delphi

Mt. Parnassos

Antirio

Mt. Panachaiko

Eleusis

Athens

Corinth

Cenchrea

Mycenae

Argos

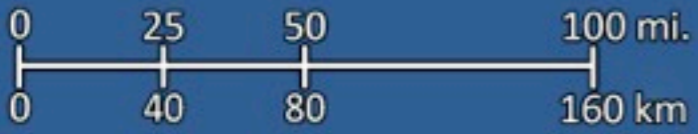
Tiryns

Olympia

Bassae



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Paul's Areopagus address:

“the greatest missionary document in the New Testament.”

~NT Scholar Adolph Deissman

Introduction (17:16–21): Paul is upset over the number of idols in the city and goes to the synagogue and marketplace to reason. Here he is confronted by various Epicurean and Stoic philosophers who can't comprehend his message. They take him to the Areopagus council for evaluation.

Paul's Sermon (17:22–31): Challenging the Athenians to worship the Creator rather than the creation.

Paul's introduction: The touchstone of the unknown god (vs. 22–23)

Paul's description of God (17:24–29)

Paul's challenge (17:30–31)

The reaction (17:32–34)

6 Questions:

Who?

What?

When?

Where?

Why? and

How?