

# God's Story Our Story™

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Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer. God of all nations, your word reaches every corner of the earth. Open our ears to your word, and our hearts to those around us who do not speak as we do, all for the sake of your Son Jesus, who loved and embraced us all, Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

*<sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. (Acts 17:23-25)*



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

Paul now enters a curious and unique place on his ministry journey: the diverse and inclusive city of Athens. Among all the varied philosophies and views presented, is there an audience for the gospel of Jesus?



Paul's Sermon at Athens



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Tell of a time you stepped way outside your comfort zone. What did you learn?

**Wonder:** Where would you like to travel? What would you like to see there?



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God stretch you to learn and grow. Amen.



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Do a Google search on the Muslim community. Learn 3 things about them that you didn't know before. How does learning about them strengthen your own faith?



**Go Deeper:** Go to [clergystuff.com/daily-devotions](http://clergystuff.com/daily-devotions) for devotions on the daily readings.

Sunday, Acts 17:16-31, Paul's Sermon at Athens  
Monday, Acts 18:1-17, Paul in Corinth  
Tuesday, Acts 19:1-10, Paul in Ephesus  
Wednesday, Acts 21:27-36, Paul Arrested in the Temple  
Thursday, Acts 21:37-22:5, Paul Defends Himself  
Friday, Acts 23:12-22, The Plot to Kill Paul  
Saturday, Acts 28:23-30, Paul Preaches in Rome