

THE BOOK OF ACTS

ACTS 17:22-34 | LESSON SUMMARY

Mars Hill

ACTS 17:22, "So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious." (ESV)

- Paul points out what he has observed
 - He's open and transparent in his approach
- "To the unknown God" (17:23)

ACTS 17:24, "The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man." (ESV)

- Different philosophy than the Epicureans or the Stoics
 - Stoics: taught that the earth was a living being and God was its soul
 - Epicureans: taught that nature is the only true reality
- Teaching on Mars Hill, the Areopagus
 - Greeks accepted immortality of the soul, but not resurrection

ACTS 17:27, "...Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we are indeed his offspring.'" (ESV)

