Speaker: The Apostle Paul

Date: **50-51 A.D.**

Place: Mars Hill in Idol-Filled Athens

Audience: **Epicurean and Stoic Philosophers**

Title: The One True God (Is Not Unknown)

Passage: **Acts 17:22-31**

I. The One True God: He Is Distinct from All (17:22-24a)

- A. It Is Not Enough to Be "Religious" (17:22)
- B. It Is Not Enough to "Cover Your Bases" Religiously (17:23)
- C. It Is Not Enough to Worship God, But in Ignorance (17:23)
- D. "The God" The One True God Is Not to Be Treated Like "a God" (17:24a)

II. The One True God: He Is Creator of All (17:24-26)

- A. The God Created All Out of Nothing (17:24)
- B. The God Rules Over All Exercising Sole Authority As Lord (17:24)
- C. The God Transcends All Not Housed Like a Finite Idol (17:24)
- D. The God Self-Sufficiently Sustains All Not Dependent on Human Service (17:25)
- E. The God Gives Life to All Life Always Comes from Life (17:25)
- F. The God Made All People from One Male Unity of All Mankind (17:26)
- G. The God Made All the Earth for Mankind To Dwell and to Have Dominion (17:26)
- H. The God Is Sovereign Over World Powers Providentially Rules Among Men (17:26)

III. The One True God: He Is Findable By All (17:27-29)

- A. The God Created and Sustains Man in Order to Have a Relationship with Man (17:27)
- B. The God Revealed Himself in Creation in Order That Man Might Seek Him (17:27)
- C. The God Revealed Himself in Scripture in Order That Man Might Find Him (17:27)
- D. The God So Sustains Man That Mankind Cannot Exist Independently of Him (17:28)
- E. The God Is Not Material Made By Man But Is the Very Origin of Mankind (17:29)

IV. The One True God: He Wants to Save All (17:30-31)

- A. The God Will Not Overlook Man's Ignorance of Him and His Truth (17:30)
- B. The God Desires All Men Everywhere to Be Saved (17:30)
- C. The God Reveals That All Can Be Saved Through Repentance (17:30)
- D. The God Provides Strong Motivation to Repent Through Judgment of All (17:31)
- E. The God Provides Guarantee of Judgment By Raising Jesus from the Dead (17:31)