



## Grace Group Notes

To be used in your Grace Group this week...

**“He is not far from each one of us...”**

Week of May 19, 2019

### Welcome

Let's get to know each other. You can use this question during your meal together.

- If someone made a statue of you, what pose would be most appropriate? What inscription?

### Worship

Let's enter the presence of God together.

Songs led by worship leader or worship resource or read Psalm 24. “The earth is the Lord's and everything in it” - that includes you and me. Give thanks you belong to the Lord!

### Word

Let's interact with God's Word.

Read Acts 17

1. \*Focus on verses 16-34. What previous understanding of Christianity did these philosophers (vv 18-19) have?
2. The Stoics believed in pantheism while the Epicureans had little or no belief in God. What does Paul emphasize about God (vv. 23-30)? How does Paul use their own culture and ideas to help them see the weaknesses in the way they relate to deity?
3. How is this sermon unlike the one to Jews in 13:16-41? Is not using Scripture here a strength or a weakness? Why? How are the sermons alike in terms of what they teach about Jesus?
4. What distresses you spiritually about the area in which you live? What specific needs do you see?

### Witness

Let's focus on who we can reach out to.

What do you feel God is calling you to do about how you answered Question #4 above?

\*Questions adapted from The Serendipity Bible, Zondervan Pub.