- 4. Observed OBJECTS of WORSHIP (17:22-23)
 - Studying for the Sake of Gospel Connections

- 5. GAVE it a GO (17:17-18)
 - They Didn't Get It
 - Paul Kept Listening, Learning & Improving

- 6. God GAVE Paul a PLATFORM (17:19-20)
 - God Might Give You One Too



A City Full of Idols

Acts 17:15–23 Sunday, August 20, 2017

The Gospel of Jesus Christ was a new, strange and largely misunderstood message to Athenian ears. Paul worked hard to contextualize/translate the Gospel into understandable terms for the Athenians and Luke notes these details for our instruction today as we seek to translate the Gospel into our culture.

- 1. A City FULL of IDOLS (17:16, 22-23)
 - Cities Full of Idolaters

- 2. Paul PROVOKED (17:16)
 - Offended
 - Affected

- 3. A "NEW" CHALLENGE and CHANCE (17:18-21)
 - Challenge
 - Chance



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Connecting & Caring Together (about 20 min.)

Summer is coming to a close! Share your high and your low from Summer.

Grappling with God's Word Together (about 20 - 30 min.)

1. How did you come under God's Word in the message this week? What did you feel and think in response to God's Word?

2. What's an idol? What idols do you recognize in yourself and those around you?

3. Talk about times when you've been offended and affected by the idols around you.

4. What steps can you take to understand the worship structures of those around you for the sake of the Gospel connections? Talk together about how to translate the Gospel to those around you.

5. What's the difference between being an editor and a translator in our culture?

6. How does the Gospel make all of this translation work possible?

Praying Together (about 20 min.)

Share hopes, fears, and dreams you have for the Fall. Pray also for the grace to give it a go and that God would give you a platform for the sake of the Gospel.