## **GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION**

## CONNECT

Have you ever had to give a speech? What was it like?

## **LEARN & APPLY**

What stood out to you from this weeks message?

Read Acts 17:16-34.

- Paul begins his time in Athens by "reasoning" with Jews and "Godfearing Greeks" in the synagogue. What do you think this means?
- Paul was greatly distressed by the idols he saw in Athens. What kind
  of idols do you think might distress Paul in your city today? Why?
- How does Paul engage with the Epicureans and Stoics in vs. 18-21?
   How could this inform the way you speak with your neighbors about Jesus?
- What do you think it means to be "very religious?" How is this similar and how is it different from being a Christ follower?
- Paul's speech was given to a large gathering. How might it differ from the way you speak about Jesus with a small group or an individual? What might be similar? Why?
- What is one way you could "be the Church in the world" this week?

## **PRAY**

Lord Jesus, we know you have commanded us to share about you with our neighbors but we confess that we often fail to do so. Give us courage by your Holy Spirit to speak with others outside of our church family in a way that is filled with humble conviction. Amen.

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