

A Study of the Book of Acts
Link between Christ's life and the life of the Church
Spring Group Session 19 – The Preacher's Urgency
(Read: Acts 17: 16 - 34)

1. The fourth audience for the gospel was the Epicureans. Look up Epicureans. What is their philosophy? What would be the outcome of following their philosophy?

2. The Stoics were the fifth audience for the gospel. What is the basic belief of Stoics? What would be the practical outcome of this philosophy?

3. In reading verses 18 – 21, the philosophers are identified as the sixth audience of the gospel. What is their response to hearing Paul?

4. In the past when Paul communicated the gospel he started by reciting Jewish history. Why didn't he do that when he addressed the people of Athens?

5. Read verses 24 – 26. Identify the significant points that Paul makes God as Creator.

6. Why should we do all we can to find God? What are idols to us?

7. The results of Paul's preaching were both tragic and wonderful. Read verses 32 – 34. What were the results?