

# THE JOURNEY

## SCRIPTURE

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### Acts 17:5-7 ESV

But the Jews were jealous, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd. 6 And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also, 7 and Jason has received them, and they are all acting against the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus."

### Acts 17:13 ESV

But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds.

### Acts 17:22-31 ESV

So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. 23 For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. 26 And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, 27 that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, 28 for "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we are indeed his offspring." 29 Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. 30 The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

## TEACHING NOTES

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As followers of Jesus our job is to turn the world \_\_\_\_\_

An \_\_\_\_\_ is anything that we focus on more than \_\_\_\_\_

Paul's position was always to \_\_\_\_\_ people to \_\_\_\_\_

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

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1. What is your favorite memory from a family trip?
2. What are some ways that you can turn the world upside down this week?
3. What idols do you need to remove from your life so you can focus more on Jesus?
4. Why is it so challenging to point people to Jesus in our world today?
5. How would our world be different if Christians focused more on Jesus? How would your life be different if you focused more on Jesus?