

# MBS: Come. Thrive. Own.

## Own – Share

### Explore-

What one thing do you remember from the message?

Read Acts 17:16-34 out loud as a group.

Read Acts 17:16. Why do you think Paul was “greatly distressed” when he saw all the idols? Why do you think more Christians are not as deeply passionate as Paul about reaching people who are without Jesus?

What do you think it would take to kindle that same level of passion in you for people without Jesus?

Read Acts 17:16-18. Paul speaks to three groups, three different cultures. He’s able to do that because of his attitude described in **1 Corinthians 9:22-23**, which says, *“To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.”* What are some ways we “become all things to all men so that... we might save some”? Can we ever go too far? (Why? Why not?)

Read Paul’s clear message in Acts 17:22-31.

If you were sharing Jesus with people, how would you say it?

Answer the following questions to help prepare yourself:

1. What was life like before Jesus?
2. Why did you become a follower of Jesus?
3. How is Jesus making a difference in you now?

Read Acts 17:32-34. How would you describe the different ways people responded? If you were in Paul’s shoes, would you feel good or disappointed?

What do you think Paul was saying to himself after he saw the way people responded? (e.g. “That was great!”; “That was terrible!”; “That was okay.”)

What action do you need to take to be more like Paul’s example? Will you commit to pray for someone to share Jesus with in the next 2 weeks? What do you need to do to be prepared for that moment?

(Prepare what you will say, Pray specifically, Look for safe opportunities, Develop deeper passion, Read a book, or Other)