

things to our ears. We want to know what these things mean.”

Paul stood and said, *“People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.”*

Then he told them, *“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the*

boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.”

“Therefore, since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. In the past, God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent.”

Then he told them the good news: that God sent Jesus to earth to be our savior. Jesus was crucified, but God raised him from death. This proves that Jesus is the Son of God. After Paul preached about Jesus’ resurrection, some mocked his words. Others said, *“We want to hear you again on this subject.”* Some believed and became followers of Jesus.

Yes, Paul, We Hear You!

Search your Bible for Acts 17:32-34 and find the three different reactions that people had when listening to Paul’s sermon in Athens. Then write those reactions in the blank circles that appear below each of the drawings.

