

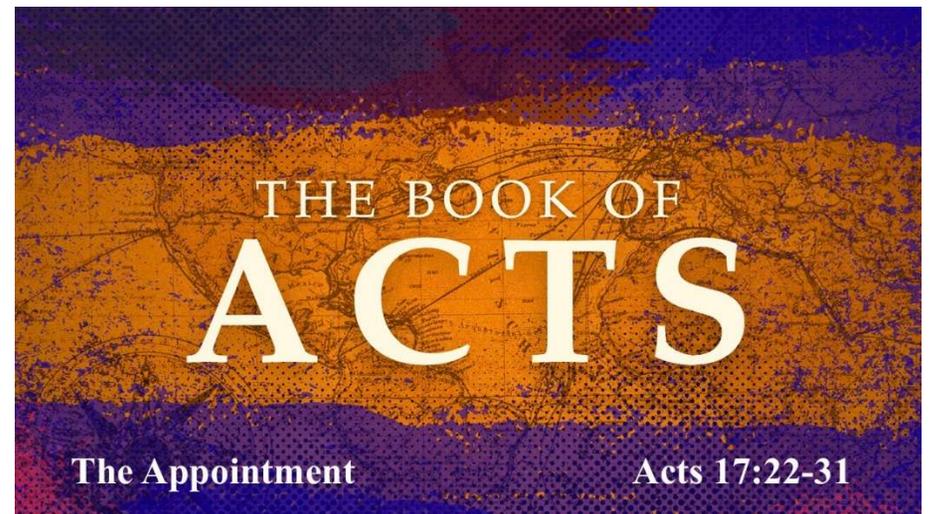
Sermon Discussion Points for

9. Paul said God "overlooked" times of ignorance, but now "commands all men everywhere to repent" (v. 30). What changed? Why does hearing the Gospel create accountability? How should this affect our urgency in evangelism?

10. Paul concludes by pointing to the resurrection as God's "assurance to all" of coming judgment (v. 31). Why is the resurrection central to both the Gospel message and the reality of future judgment? How does it validate everything else Paul said?

11. Pastor Lance said, "People don't care how much we know, till they know how much we care." How can we demonstrate genuine care for unbelievers without compromising the truth of the Gospel? What's the balance between relationship-building and truth-telling?

12. Everyone has an appointment they cannot miss—standing before God's judgment. How should this reality shape (a) how we live as believers, (b) how we pray for the lost, and (c) how we share the urgency of the Gospel message?



Calvary Chapel Groups

Sunday, February 15, 2026

1. How did Paul use the altar "To the Unknown God" as a bridge to share the Gospel? What does this teach us about contextualizing our message without compromising it?
2. The historical account of Epimenides and the plague altars set the stage for Paul's message. How does this demonstrate God's providential preparation for the Gospel, even centuries in advance? What does this reveal about God's sovereignty in evangelism?
3. Paul contrasted the Greek philosophers' unknowable Theos with the God who has fully revealed Himself in Jesus Christ. How does the Incarnation solve the problem of God being "completely Other" yet knowable? Why is this significant for our relationship with God?
4. Verse 31 speaks of God appointing "a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness." How should the certainty of future judgment affect our daily lives? Why is this both a sobering warning and a call to urgency in sharing the Gospel?
5. Paul found the altar to the Unknown God by prayerfully walking around and investigating Athens. How can you prayerfully engage the lost people of your life to discover where God has already been at work preparing them for the Gospel?
6. Pastor Lance said, "Too often we Christians give answers to questions people aren't asking." How can we shift from telling people what they need to know, to first understanding what they're actually asking? Share an example where listening first made evangelism more effective.
7. The sermon compares Instagram, X, Facebook, and YouTube to the ancient Areopagus—places obsessed with "the latest thing." How can we engage these modern platforms redemptively? What are the dangers and opportunities they present for Gospel witness?
8. Athens was filled with physical idols to countless gods. What are the functional idols in our culture today—things people worship with their time, money, and devotion? How should we address modern idolatry when sharing the Gospel?

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