

Sermon Notes: Acts 17:22-34  
Needing God

**OBJECTION:** I don't need God.

**ANSWER:** Everyone needs God, whether they admit it or not.

We need God to...

1. clarify our worship. (Acts 17:22-23)
2. give meaning to our existence. (Acts 17:24-28)
3. rescue us from ourselves. (Acts 17:29-34)

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## SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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We encourage you to take some time this week with your family, friends, or by yourself to review and apply the sermon through these questions.

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### REVIEW

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1. Paul observes in vv. 22-23 that the people of Athens were very religious. How have you observed people being "religious" that may or may not involve formal religion?
2. How does Paul describe God and his purpose in vv. 24-28?
3. How does this description of God differ from how people around you understand God?
4. After moving from being religious (vv. 22-23) to explaining about the nature and purpose of God (vv. 24-28), what does Paul do next in vv. 29-31?
5. What were the three responses to Paul's message in vv. 32-34? Why did each person react this way?

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### APPLICATION

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6. How can you use this passage for those around you to see their need for God?