

**“NOT SO FAR”**  
**May 21, 2017 Acts 17:22-34**  
**Life Group Study Guide**

**Notes from Worship Service**

1. It doesn't surprise me that most of us don't like to talk about our faith. We can come off sounding rather vague and naïve and filled with platitudes that don't seem to connect with real life.
2. Paul is definitely a man with Jesus on his mind. He makes the most of every opportunity to share the good news. Why? Because he believed Jesus was for everyone.
3. The first step of evangelism is using the things people know to connect them with the things they don't know. Often we have to become a learner of people before we can become their teacher.
4. A second key to effective evangelism is to find common spiritual ground.
5. To be an effective teller of the good news we need to know something about how our faith works and what we believe.
6. Expect a variety of reactions. Paul knew it was his task to share the good news but it was God who changed the heart.

**Life Group Homework**

1. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
2. Would you rather fly or drive to a vacation destination? Explain your reasoning.
3. What are some of the questions you have about God?

**Read Acts 17:16-34**

4. How would you respond to the question found in Verses 19-20?
5. Describe Paul's image of God.
6. Who is God placing in your path to share the good news with?

**Life Practice:** Write down a method this week of how you might tell others about Jesus. Share it with the group.