

PAUL IN ATHENS

Paul the missionary preached about Jesus and the resurrection.

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Worshiping God/The Holy Spirit Builds the Early Church.

1. [Acts 17:32](#) says that some people wanted Paul to keep talking about Jesus so they could learn more. Since we can't visit Paul, how can you learn more about Jesus?

2. The people in Athens didn't know God or Jesus. But after hearing Paul talk about him a little, some wanted to know more. As you listen to this episode, think about what Paul did right as he told people about God and Jesus and how you can share the story of Jesus with others.

Memory Verse

As soon as the people heard Paul say a man had been raised from death, some of them started laughing. Others said, "We will hear you talk about this some other time."

Acts 17:32

After You Listen

God gave Paul a critical mission: telling others how Jesus died to save them. But the mission wasn't easy. People didn't always want to hear Paul speak. Sometimes, they called him mean names, and he was even thrown in jail a few times because he never stopped talking about Jesus. Paul didn't give up, and people like Dionysius and Damaris came to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. God can use us when we don't give up, even when it's hard. Just like he used Paul.

Read all about Paul in Athens in [Acts 17:16-32](#). Want to dig deeper and learn more about how you can share God's story? Check out [1 Peter 2:9](#), [Acts 1:8](#), and [Romans 10:8](#).

Challenge

Paul is great at talking to people. Not everyone has that gift, and that's okay. There are lots of other ways we can share our faith with others.

- You could paint a picture that is inspired by a Bible story.
- You could start a faith-based ecology club, where members take time to pick up garbage or plant a vegetable garden because they love God and his world.

- You could develop strong relationships and friendships and show others you care about them.

Take time to brainstorm five ways to let people know about Jesus, even if you aren't comfortable talking to them.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: Who is Paul writing the letter to?

Answer: Silas and Timothy

Question 2: What made Paul upset when he got to Athens?

Answer: All of the idols

Question 3: What are the names of the two people who decided to hear more?

Answer: Damaris and Dionysius

Question 4: What was written on the altar that Paul used to tell the Athenians about God?

Answer: To An Unknown God
