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Book of Acts Chapter 17

44_ACT_17_01 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

44_ACT_17_02 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,

44_ACT_17_03 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

44_ACT_17_04 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

44_ACT_17_05 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.

44_ACT_17_06 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

44_ACT_17_07 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, [one] Jesus.

44_ACT_17_08 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

44_ACT_17_09 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.

44_ACT_17_10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming [thither] went into the synagogue of the Jews.

44_ACT_17_11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

44_ACT_17_12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

44_ACT_17_13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.

44_ACT_17_14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.

44_ACT_17_15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.

44_ACT_17_16 Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.

44_ACT_17_17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

44_ACT_17_18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this babler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

44_ACT_17_19 And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, [is]?

44_ACT_17_20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean.

44_ACT_17_21 [For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.]

44_ACT_17_22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, [Ye] men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

44_ACT_17_23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

44_ACT_17_24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

44_ACT_17_25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

44_ACT_17_26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

44_ACT_17_27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

44_ACT_17_28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

44_ACT_17_29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

44_ACT_17_30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

44_ACT_17_31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by [that] man whom he hath ordained; [whereof] he hath given assurance unto all [men], in that he hath raised him from the dead.

44_ACT_17_32 And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this [matter].

44_ACT_17_33 So Paul departed from among them.

44_ACT_17_34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which [was] Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.