

# Stir Us Up!

Acts 17:22-24

Stir up we beseech Thee O Lord the wills of Thy people.

## Five Questions

1. What did Paul see?
2. How did Paul feel?
3. What did Paul do?
4. What did Paul say?
5. How did people respond?

## Five Assumptions

1. God is already at work  
Romans 1:19  
1 John 4:10  
John 6:44
2. People are incurably religious
3. Religion absent Jesus is distorted and twisted
4. You cannot reach people you cannot touch
5. All truth is God's truth

Theology must be Jesus shaped or it will be misshaped.

### 1. God Came

**Matthew 1:18** Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit.

**Matthew 1:21** And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins." **22** So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: **23** "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

**Luke 1:31** And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. **32** He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. **33** And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." **34** Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" **35** And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. **36** Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.

**John 1:14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Colossians 1:15–18**

**Hebrews 1:1–3**

### 2. God Comes

### 3. God is Coming

Hope  
Love  
Joy  
Peace