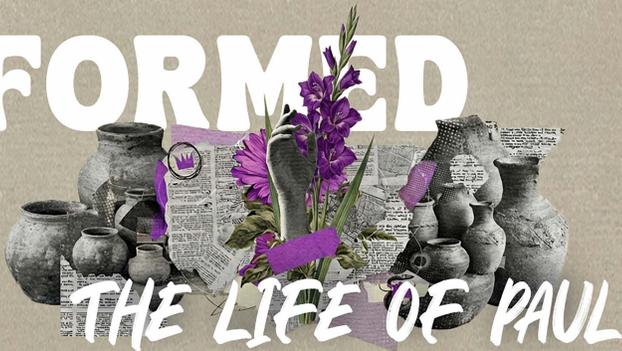


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NEXT STEPS

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THE LIFE OF PAUL

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Faithful
Witness To All
Acts 17:16-34**

Questions to *Dig Deeper*:

What stands out to you about the way Paul holds conviction and compassion together? What might it look like for us to remain faithfully present in a culture that troubles or confuses us?

Who are the “Athenians” in your life — people outside your normal church circles? What might need to shift in your rhythms or relationships if you are going to be meaningfully present with those who don’t yet know Jesus?

Paul references the altar to the “unknown god” and even quotes their poets. Why do you think this approach was effective? What are some modern “unknown god” altars in our culture — places where people are clearly searching for meaning, identity, or hope?

How can we speak about Jesus in ways that connect without watering down the gospel?

Where have you seen evidence of God’s hope at work in our community recently? Why is it sometimes easier to point out sin and brokenness than to name hope and grace?

Some who heard Paul wanted to know more, while others dismissed him. What does this teach us about our role versus God’s role in evangelism? How can we share stories of God’s work in ways that are natural, relational, and hopeful rather than forced or manipulative?