

Acts 17:29-34
The Full Scope of God's Majesty

1. Idolatry (29)

Principle: Because God created us, we must not worship any god – not even the true God – with manmade images.

Principle: God's creation itself shows us that “the divine being” is nothing like manmade creations.

Romans 1:20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Application: Few people would say that man's creations are actually divine beings, yet many give them that role in their lives.

Romans 1:25 worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator

2. Repentance

Principle: God's merciful patience provides an opportunity for repentance.

Principle: The Creator commands all people to repent.

Application: The repentant response to idolatry not only "puts off" the idolatry but also "puts on" the worship and service of the true God.

1 Thessalonians 1:9 *you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God*

3. Judgment

Principle: The day of judgment is fixed.

Is. 2:12; Rom. 2:5, 16; 1 Thes. 5:2

Principle: The day of judgment will display God's righteousness by demonstrating that idolatry is not okay.

2 Thes. 1:10; 1 Cor. 1:8; Philippians 1:6

4. A Man

Dan. 7:13; 1 Cor. 15:45; Gen. 3:15; John 1:14; Heb. 1:1; John 5:27; Heb. 2:14; 1 Tim. 2:5; Rom. 5:15–17

Principle: To know God, you must learn about a man.

Phil. 3:8

5. Resurrection and Response

Application: The resurrection is a starting point and dividing line.

Conclusion: The full scope of God's majesty