

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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**JOHN 14:15-21  
THE PROMISE OF  
THE HOLY SPIRIT**



<sup>15</sup> [Jesus said] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him.



You know him, because he abides with you,  
and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming  
to you. <sup>19</sup> In a little while the world will no  
longer see me, but you will see me; because I  
live, you also will live.



<sup>20</sup> On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, **and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”**





# ATHENS: ALTAR TO THE 'UNKNOWN GOD'

Acts 17:16-34



Thessalonica

Philippi

GREECE

AEGEAN SEA

ASIA MINOR

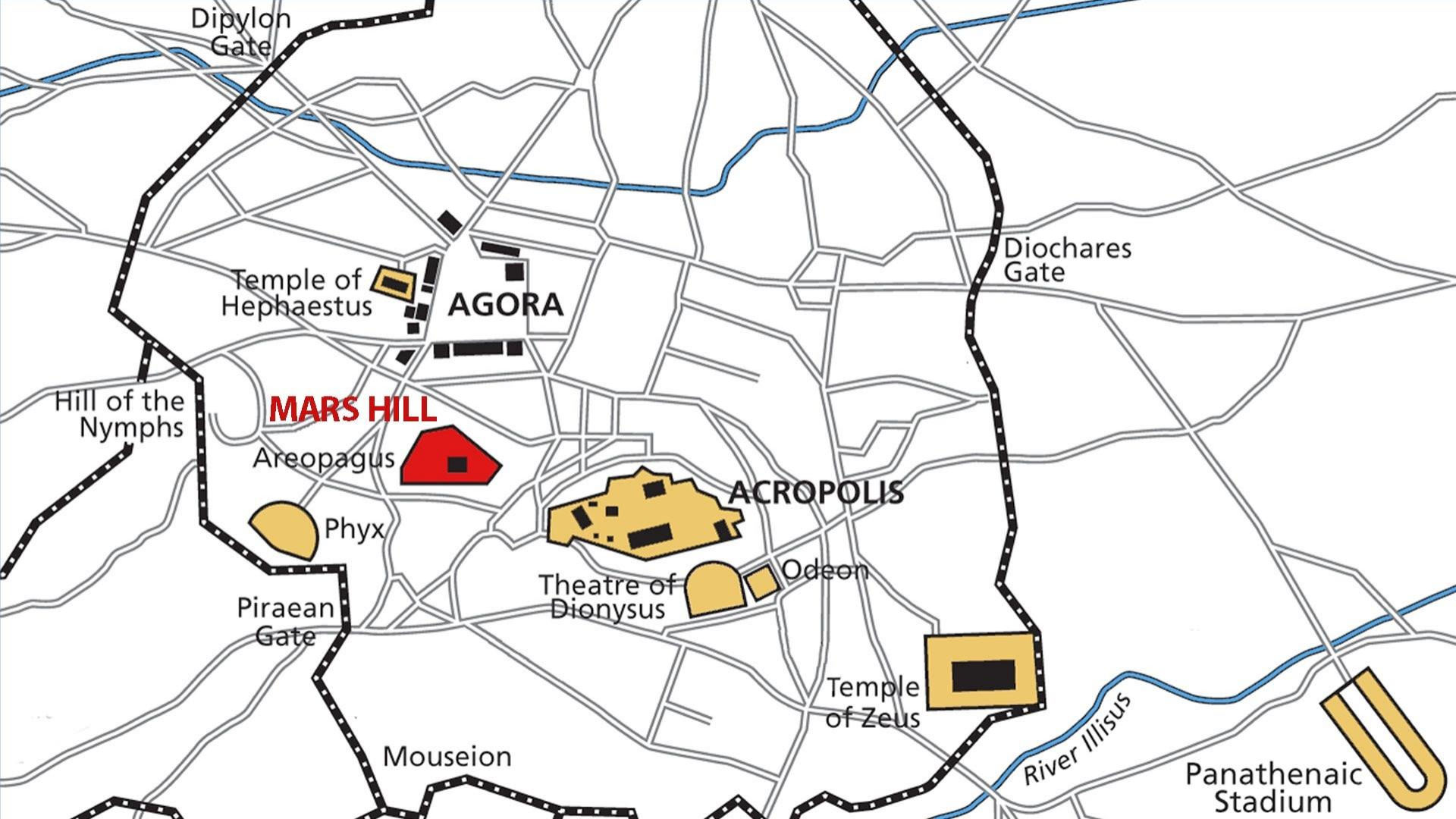
Corinth

Athens

Ephesus







Dipylon Gate

Temple of Hephaestus

AGORA

Diochares Gate

Hill of the Nymphs

MARS HILL

Areopagus

Phyx

ACROPOLIS

Piraean Gate

Theatre of Dionysus

Odeon

Temple of Zeus

Mouseion

River Illisus

Panathenaic Stadium





















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## **altare al “dio ignoto”**

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Travertino

Dal Palatino. Area sud-orientale, presso il Velabro

## altar of the “unknown god”

— late 2nd – early 1st century BC

Travertine

From the Palatine. South-Eastern area, near the Velabrum

# **ACTS 17:22-31 PAUL IN ATHENS**



<sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup> For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ...



‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.

<sup>24</sup> The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup> nor is he served by human



as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup> From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would



live, <sup>27</sup> so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

<sup>28</sup> For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ...





‘For we too are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup> Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup> While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance,



now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”



# The Building Blocks of FAITH

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THE BASIC, POSITIVE PRINCIPLES FOR FAITH



## “Sharing Your Faith”

As we all “grope blindly in the dark in search of light”, we **get** to help others connect with God.

*God wants to do a*  
**NEW THING**  
**IN YOUR LIFE**



Isaiah 43:19

# Just As I Am, Without One Plea

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