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Announcements

- 6:00 PM Bible Study: Join us for interactive sessions that dig deeper into the truths of God's Word.
- Food Pantry, this Friday 3-5 pm: Volunteers needed at that time. Please bring shelf-stable food products, especially cereal, to the church for the food pantry.
- Family Dinner, every Sunday 12:00-?. Everyone is invited.
- Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:00 PM: Come pray with us for our church, and our community.
- Please subscribe to our **YouTube channel** at youtube.com/@whitesrun.

Start Here: God, Acts 17:16-34.

Reference: Gilbert, Greg. What Is the Gospel? Crossway, 2010.

Today's Point: It is foundational to the Gospel that God exists and is our sovereign Creator who is holy and righteous.

Connecting and Correcting

- First to the Jews: Acts 17:17, 9:20, 13:5, 13:14, 14:1, 17:1, 17:10, 18:4, 18:19, 19:8.
- Then to gentiles: Acts 17:17-18;
- Paul connected to the Athenians present understandings of God, Acts 17:22-23; even quoting from a Greek philosopher and a Greek poet, Acts 22:8.
- He corrected their understanding from an unknown god to the known God, Acts 17:23, 27; from a god who needs served by man to God who

determines the destiny of nations, Acts 17:24-26; from gods who are aloof and distant to God who is actively involved, Acts 17:30-31.

God is Creator

- The fact that God is our creator is foundational to understanding the Gospel. See Acts 17:26-29; Genesis 1:26-27, 2:16-17; Romans 1:18-20, 6:23.
- In essense, "sin is a person's rejection of God's Creator-rights over him." Greg Gilbert, What Is the Gospel? Crossway, 2010, p42.

God is Holy and Righteous

- The fact that God is holy and righteous is foundational to understanding the Gospel. See Acts 17:30-31; Exodus 34:6-7, 20:1-17; Psalm 11:7, 33:4, 89:14, 97:2; Ecclesiastes 3:16-17.
- "You see, nobody wants a God who ceclines to deal with evil. Thay just want a God who declines to deal with their evil." — Greg Gilbert, What Is the Gospel? Crossway, 2010, p44.

Encouragements

- Repent and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation.
- Review and search these scriptures to better internalize these truths and be prepared to present the good news of salvation to others.

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