

“WHAT ABOUT THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HEARD?”

Acts 17:16 – 34

1A. THE NEED TO REPENT AND BELIEVE IN JESUS

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- 1B. The Ignorance of God* 16-23
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2A. THE NATURAL WITNESSES OF GOD

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- 2B. The Witness of Personal Judgment* Romans 2:1
- 3B. The Witness of Conscience* Romans 2:15
- 4B. The Witness of Providence* Acts 14:16, 17
- 5B. The Witness of Resurrection* Acts 17:31

3A. THE SPECIAL WITNESS OF GOD

- 1B. The Witness of the Scriptures* John 5:39, 45-47
- 2B. The Witness of the Gospel* Romans 1:16, 17
- 3B. The Witness of Believers* Acts 1:8

The question may arise, “What of those who have never heard the gospel?”

God has witnessed to Himself in many natural ways, and man has suppressed those witnesses. Man is accountable for the truths he has known, and rejected. Man is without excuse, but not without witness.

God has also witnessed to Himself through the Scriptures, the Gospel, and believers.

“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved. . . And without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.” Acts 4:12, Hebrews 9:22 NASB