

Lesson #4-32***Sharing the Hope of Jesus***

Acts 17:16-32

**Key Verse:**

The God who made the world and everything in it...does not live in shrines made by human hands.

Acts 17:24

The Point:

God isn't a figment of our imagination; God is the creator, sustainer, and redeemer of the whole world.

Unit Theme (April 29—May 20):

Living in Hope

Opening Prayer*You will need:*

- † Scrabble® sets
- † Table

Preparation:

1. Set up one or more tables where worshippers enter the worship space. Place Scrabble® boards and tiles at each. Set out a starter word on each board.
2. Station someone at the table or make a small sign instructing people to use the Scrabble pieces to list something that God has created. Their addition must build off a word already on the table.
3. Ask adults to help younger kids participate.

Instructions:

1. Using the word cloud created by worshippers as the entered, invite worshippers to join in this opening prayer.
2. **God you are the creator of all things. We give you thanks for your love in creating _____ (list parts of creation made by the Scrabble letters). Each of these things is a gift. We give you thanks that you did not just set creation in motion, but care for it and sustain it. You are active in your creation, healing what is broken and bringing wholeness. Amen.**