Title: Unknown (g)od
Text: Acts 17:16-31
Target: The way you define God will always be the way you describe God, but most importantly display God.

I. **Provoked by a Problem:** “his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols” (Vs.16)

II. **Power in His Preaching:** “And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, ‘May we know what this NEW TEACHING is that you are presenting?’” (Vs.19)

III. **Platformed with a Purpose:** “So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious.” (Vs.22)

A. **Wired to Worship:** “For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship” (Vs. 23)

B. **Wonder of Worship:** “I found also an altar with this inscription: ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown this I proclaim to you.” (Vs. 23)

- **Can’t be Contained:** “The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man” (Vs.24)
- **Heaven is not Lacking:** “nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything” (Vs.25)
- **Reveals your Significance:** “having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place” (Vs.26)
- **Interested in being Found:** “that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for ”In him we live and move and have our being.” (Vs.27-28)
- **Set Day for His Return:** “because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed.” (Vs.31)
- **Triumphant over Death:** “and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.” (Vs.31)

Takeaway: The X that marks the spot is where a God who may feel unknown becomes known because of the choice that you make to not just regard Him, but reveal Him.