

3. They were “dissatisfied with their own gods, rites and myths”

Those who came to the Courtyard of the Gentiles came because they had become dissatisfied with the idols and myths of their society. In our own time, we are seeing a similar dissatisfaction arising. In the face of so many modern idols and myths, especially those that pose an alternative to faith in God, the Church must be ready to welcome those who are growing weary of them. It is also our duty to help the men and women of today identify and give a name to the dissatisfaction they are experiencing so as to help them move forward in the pursuit of truth. What are the “gods, rites and myths” present in our society today? What can the Church offer to man as a remedy to these counterfeits, that which alone satisfies the demands of reason and the human heart?



St. Paul preaching in Athens