

III. A _____ MULTITUDE (17:4-9)

A. Some _____ (17:4)

“3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?

5 Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?

6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

7 So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.

8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.” I Corinthians 3:3-8

B. Some _____ (17:5-9)

“17 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.”

Ezekiel 3:17-19

CONCLUSION:

In order to turn your world upside down you must be a dedicated messenger who is willing to take a divine message to a divided multitude.

CURIOUS

**Curious About Evangelism
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INTRODUCTION

A. Are you curious about the things that are happening in our culture and world today?

“That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.”
II Thessalonians 2:2

B. In this series, we will respond to some of the top ten questions and concerns in our society today. They are...

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TODAY	Curious About Evangelism

C. **TEXT:** Acts 17:1-9 (Pew Bible/Pg 141/New Testament)

Three components are necessary to turn your world upside down for Christ.

CURIOUS ABOUT EVANGELISM

- I.** A _____ MESSENGER (17:1-2)
- A.** His _____ (17:2a)
- “1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.
2 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.”*
Romans 10:1-2
- “The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.”* Proverbs 11:30
- B.** His _____ (17:2b)
- “13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.
14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.
15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.
16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”* Matthew 5:13-16
- “Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.”* II Timothy 2:3

- II.** A _____ MESSAGE (17:3)
- A.** The _____ of the message (17:3a)
- “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.”*
Romans 1:16
- “The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.”*
Proverbs 29:25
- “But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.”*
Acts 1:8
- B.** The _____ of the message (17:3b)
- “1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;
2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.
3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;
4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:”*
I Corinthians 15:1-4
- “23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,
25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;”*
II Timothy 2:23-25