

Stirring Up the World for Christ

Acts 17:1-9

As the believers of the early church faithfully shared the gospel, the world was stirred up by its life-changing effects. If we are committed to sharing the gospel as they were, we are sure to see the same results. In Acts 17:1-9, we observe three factors that worked together to bring about significant upheaval in the world.

1. The gospel of Jesus Christ was clearly presented to lost people. The truth was explained and discussed with the lost. (vv. 1-3)
2. People accepted the gospel and joined themselves to the church. Those who believed showed a distinct change in belief and action. (v. 4)
3. Those who rejected the gospel reacted to the changes effected in saved people's lives. They showed hostility to those who had been saved by the gospel. (vv. 5-9)