

Hang In There, Baby

Acts 17:1-9

Ease is a greater threat to progress than hardship!

Perseverance and determination

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Tailor the message to fit the hearers (1-3)

To the synagogue

A focused message

Don't underestimate the power of jealousy (4-7)

Many responded; jealousy erupts

Mob violence

Abortive justice

Fake news

This type of opposition to the gospel is not about truth or justice or protected rights, but **punishing** those who disagree.

An amazing compliment (v 6)

They have turned the world upside-down

The gospel was and is **transforming**.

People & politicians get agitated by the lies they believe, especially when doing so leads to financial gain. (v 8-9)

Principles for persevering determination

1. Opposition does not necessarily mean you are wrong

2. Truth compels a response – even if it's rejection

3. Jealousy distorts and destroys.

4. Evil will passionately pursue its ends.

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