## "Acts – Enlarging the Kingdom (14-1): Paul's 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary Journey – Ephesus" (Acts 18:23 to 19:41)

Today: Paul's 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary Journey – Destination Ephesus

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## I. Transition from Old Testament Faith to New Testament Faith (18:24-19:7)

2 Episodes – Showing the Transitional Nature of this Phase of Church history

A. 1<sup>st</sup> Episode (18:24-28): Apollos in Ephesus

The OT Faith of Apollos Transitioned into the NT Faith, and he became a part of the Church – the Body of Christ

**B.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Episode (19:1-7): Paul in Ephesus

OT Disciples became NT Disciples after Receiving the Gift of the Holy Spirit

## II. Paul's Ministry in Ephesus (19:8-41)

A. From the Synagogue to the Lecture Hall (19:8-12)

- B. Exorcism and Sorcery (19:13-20)
  - 1. The Case of the Self-proclaimed Jewish Exorcists
  - 2. The Response: Honor the Name of Jesus, and Open Confession of Believers

True Repentance: Clean-Cut from the Past, Keep a Clean Conscience

Genuine Repentance will bring about Revival (19:20): From Personal Revival to Revival in the Church, Community, even our Country; and God's Kingdom can then be Enlarged!

C. Riot at Ephesus (19:21-41)

## **Reflection**

Anti-tradition, Anti-Christian Movements are Active Today! Be Watchful and Pray, and Take the Offensive Stance... Share the Gospel in these Last Days!