The Going Church: "to the ends of the earth"

Witnesses: Expect mixed results

Acts 13:42-52

So what can we expect when we go across the street and around the world?

- 1. Expect some to be **hungry** for the gospel (v.42-44).
- 2. Expect some to get **angry** at the gospel (v.45)
  - a. They were jealous because of the **crowds**.
  - b. They were jealous because of the **clientele**
  - c. They were furious because they were losing **control**.
- 3. Expect to find **courage** in the gospel (v.46-47)
  - a. It was necessary that the Jew hear first.
  - b. The majority reject the gospel. They do it in two ways:
    - i. They **repudiate** the gospel.
    - ii. They <u>judge themselves</u> unworthy of eternal life. *Jn 3:18*"He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
  - c. It was necessary to turn to the hungry the gentiles.
- 4. Expect some to be **saved** by the gospel (v. 48-49)
  - a. Expect those appointed to **believe**. 2 Th 2:13-
  - b. Expect the good news to **spread**.
- 5. Expect to be  $\underline{\textbf{rejected}}$  because of the gospel (v.50-51)
- 6. Expect to find your **<u>iov</u>** in the gospel (v.52).
- Let's face the fact that the gospel **divides**. Jesus said it would be that way
- Let's feed the **hungry**. When one rejects then simply turn to another.
- Let's just keep on seeking gospel **conversations**.

What about you? Are you rejecting the simple gospel; are you thus condemning yourself?