

# **Advancing the Kingdom**

## **3) From Little Things Big Things Grow**

***'For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him'***

**(Isaiah 53:2-3)**

## The Book of Acts

### First Progress Report

*'Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith'*

**(Acts 6:7)**

## The Book of Acts

### Second Progress Report

*'Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied'*

**(Acts 9:31)**

**The Book of Acts**  
**Third Progress Report**

***'But the word of God grew and multiplied'***  
**(Acts 12:24)**

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**Fourth Progress Report**

***'So the churches were strengthened in  
the faith, and increased in number daily'***  
**(Acts 16:5)**

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**Fifth Progress Report**

***'So the word of the Lord grew mightily  
and prevailed'***

**(Acts 19:20)**

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**Sixth Progress Report**

***'preaching the kingdom of God and teaching  
the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ  
with all confidence, no one forbidding him'***  
**(Acts 28:31)**

*'...concerning this sect, we know that it is  
spoken against everywhere'*

**(Acts 28:22)**

*'And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?'*

**(John 1:46)**

***'Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver,  
and the gold were crushed together, and  
became like chaff from the summer threshing  
floors; the wind carried them away so that no  
trace of them was found. And the stone that  
struck the image became a great mountain and  
filled the whole earth'***

**(Daniel 2:35)**

*'The least of you will become a thousand,  
the smallest a mighty nation.*

*I am the Lord;  
in its time I will do this swiftly'*

**(Isaiah 60:22)**

***'And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how'***

**(Mark 4:26-27)**