The Riot in Ephesus

ACTS 19:21-41

I. The Cause of the Riot by Demetrius

- A. The fear of loosing <u>business</u>
- B. The fear of loosing a <u>pluralistic</u> religion
- C. The fear of loosing the <u>reputation</u> of Artemis

II. The Chaos of the Riot by the Ephesians

- A. The <u>anger</u> of the mob
- B. The confusion of the mob
- C. The stubbornness of the mob

III. The Closure of the Riot by the Town Clerk

- A. There is no reason to worry
- B. There is no reason to arrest these men
- C. There is no reason to handle the situation illegally
- D. There is no reason to risk Pax Romana

TAKE HOME:

- Do you believe that it is true that all who desire to live for Christ will be <u>persecuted?</u>
- •How will God use persecution in your life to grow you and build your confidence in Him?.
- •Do you spend more time <u>exalting</u> Christ than bashing other religions?