**Perseverance – Death**

Often we see CPMs in areas of great turmoil and suffering. The leaders and catalysts of CPMs often endure suffering and even death. Breakthroughs are often seen when fear is overcome and believers are willing to suffer and die.

Read and discuss (after reading them all) the following verses:

John 12: 24

Col 1:24 2

Cor 4:12

Acts Persecution Study

How do you personally, your family and the new believers count the cost? After reading a passage ask the six questions at the bottom of the page:

1) Acts 3:1 - 4:31

2) 5:12-42

3) 6:8 - 8:4

4) 12:1-24

5) 13:13-52

6) 14:1-28

7) 16:16-40

8) 17:1-9

9) 18:1-17

Six Questions to ask of each passage and report back to the group:

1. How did they start talking and what did they say?

2. What prompted the persecution?

3. What type of persecution resulted and by whom?

4. What happened after that?

5. What was their [preachers of the gospel] overall response to persecution?

6. What was the effect on the local believers?