



“Give me 100 men who hate nothing but sin, and love God with all their hearts, and I will shake the world for Christ”

John Wesley (1703-1791) was one of 19 children. He was reared in a religious family (his father was an Anglican priest). However, his religion took on a personal level when his faith was challenged while sailing from England to serve in the colonies. While on board the ship encountered a severe storm. Wesley was overcome by a deep fear of dying. Aboard the ship were a group of Moravian Christians who were singing hymns to God calmly. He started a journey that led to a deep conviction and a spiritual awakening that transformed not only his life, but through his ministry, the lives of thousands.

Who?

Through the network of itinerate preachers that were trained by John Wesley, England saw a spiritual awakening. He believed that the heart of true faith was a love for Christ and a hatred for sin and what kept churches dead was a dead faith. He believed that more important than formal training, was a passionate person who was compelled to preach Christ crucified. The early Methodist movement truly changed the world.

What?

Are you relying on your own strengths and training as you serve this summer? God can use that, but without a dynamic, God-dependent faith your ministry will lack power and purpose. God often uses the unqualified to spread his Gospel.

Why?