

# Ordinary People Unleashed Notes

Acts 11:19-30

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**Main Point:** God loves to unleash the extraordinary through ordinary people.

## The Reason

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord was with them (vs. 21).
2. God's hand refers to His \_\_\_\_\_ to bring judgment or blessing (Isaiah 59:1).

## The Results

1. A great \_\_\_\_\_ who believed turned to the Lord (vs. 21, 24, 26).

## The Requirements

1. Go with the \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 19)
  - As they scattered, they \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus only with those from a Jewish background.
  - Others began sharing the gospel with the Hellenists, which refers to those who spoke Greek.
  - These unknown men "spoke," which is the word for simple, \_\_\_\_\_ conversations (vs. 20).
  - They were simply living on mission, sharing \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus in the course of everyday conversations.
  - A great number who believed \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord (vs. 21).
  - We must make sure we're proclaiming \_\_\_\_\_ which leads to eternal life.
  - We must both trust in Christ and \_\_\_\_\_ to Him (1 Thessalonians 1:9)
    - Turning to something, automatically means you are turning from something else.
    - We are to turn from sin and turn to \_\_\_\_\_ the Saviour (Acts 14:15).
2. Grow in God's grace.
  - Many were saved so they sent \_\_\_\_\_ to check it out.
    - He was a \_\_\_\_\_ speaking converted Jew from the Island of Cyprus.
    - He knew the culture well and they knew him.
    - He was a \_\_\_\_\_ giver (Acts 4:37).
    - He had \_\_\_\_\_ for the underdog (Acts 9:26-28).
  - Two actions we can apply to our lives.
    - Be \_\_\_\_\_ about grace.
      - a. Grace means "acceptance and \_\_\_\_\_ favor."
      - b. You see grace in \_\_\_\_\_ lives (Matthew 7:20).
    - Help others \_\_\_\_\_ in grace.
      - a. "Exhort" means "to \_\_\_\_\_, beseech, to come to the side of."
      - b. "Remain faithful" is the idea of "adhering or \_\_\_\_\_ to a set plan."

- c. He wanted them to have “steadfast purpose” so they wouldn’t \_\_\_\_\_ to the culture or shipwreck their faith when struggles come.
- Barnabas saw \_\_\_\_\_ not problems.
  - To encourage means “to put \_\_\_\_\_ into someone.”
  - Character of Barnabas (vs. 24).
    - He was full of goodness, full of the Holy Spirit, and full of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - “Good” means he was “large-hearted and \_\_\_\_\_.”
    - He was humble - He realized he couldn’t disciple these new disciples on his own (vs. 25).
  - He sought help from \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Gathering with God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 26).
- “Met” means “to gather together, to \_\_\_\_\_, to assemble.”
  - The Greek word for “with” is “en” which means “\_\_\_\_\_.”
  - Barnabas and Saul met with them for a year.
  - They became known as \_\_\_\_\_ in Antioch
    - Literally means “little \_\_\_\_\_.”
    - They believed in and \_\_\_\_\_ like Christ.
    - The suffix “ian” means, “belonging to, coming from, being like something or someone.”
    - It was a term of derision to mock followers of Christ.
4. Give what God has \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 27-28).
- When these Christians heard about the famine, they unleashed their \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 29).
  - The word “determined” means they “resolved by marking out definitely.”
  - Everyone participated, but not everyone gave the same amount. Each gave according to “his \_\_\_\_\_” (Deuteronomy 16:16-17, 2 Corinthians 8:3-4).
  - These Greek speaking Christians from Antioch spontaneously sent this money and men to the Christians who had a Jewish background in Jerusalem.
  - When part of the body is hurting, we should do all we can to help.