

Missionaries on Mission Notes

Acts 13:1-12

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Main Point: Wherever we go, our job is to proclaim Jesus to everyone.

Great Commission

1. Tells us to _____ and make disciples.
2. Acts 1:8 describes how the church was supposed to _____ the Great Commission.

The Senders – The Church at Antioch

1. God used _____ to help the gospel spread out to the world.
2. The word “persecution” comes from the Greek word “thlipsis” which means to _____ together hard, or pressure.
 - Think of the _____ of or pressing of grapes to the point the juice is pressed out.
 - The word can be translated _____, tribulation, or trouble.
3. The church is made up of _____ people.
 - “Church” in verse one is the Greek word “ekklesia” which means “the called _____.”
 - God called you, a sinner, out of the darkness, to be His child and justified you (Romans 8:30).
4. Antioch was made up of _____ saved by grace, from different areas, with different backgrounds, and different ethnicities.
 - Saul was a Greek speaking _____ from the city of Tarsus who sat under the teaching of Gamaliel.
 - Barnabas was a Levite from Cyprus who was generous and whose given name was Joseph. He was so encouraging he was given the nick name Barnabas, son of encouragement.
 - Simeon was a man of _____ probably from Africa.
 - Lucius was from _____ a city in North Africa, in present day Libya.
 - Manaen is described as a lifelong _____ of Herod. He may have been a foster brother of Herod’s or a very close friend.
5. The church is made up of sinners saved by grace who many _____ would have believe would come to faith.
 - The gospel has the _____ to save even the hard cases.
6. We see the church in _____.
 - The church was gathering and worshipping _____ at the same time and place.
 - The Holy Spirit called Barnabas and Saul to be the church’s _____ missionaries.
7. The church was _____ involved in missions supporting those who GO with the gospel (Acts 13:3).

- Fasting is a very powerful act of _____ to God.
 - When you fast, you are saying, God I need _____ sustenance more than I need physical sustenance.
8. The church prayed for Barnabas and Saul.
 - _____ moves the hand of God.
 - Adopt a missionary, correspond with them, and pray for them.
 9. The church is the _____ of missions. Without the church, missions does not exist.

The Sent – Barnabas and Saul

1. They are leaving their friends and family and trying to win people to Christ in a culture that is full of animosity towards Christians.
2. Barnabas is being asked to work with Paul, who I'm sure he was leery about at first.
3. This Saul, perhaps the greatest _____ of the early church, is now being commissioned as one of the first missionaries to take the gospel to the ends of the world.
4. Missionary refers to men and women who make it their life's _____ to take the gospel to a specific people or place in full-time ministry.
5. The miracle of God calling men and women into full-time ministry (Acts 13:2).
6. Today, God predominantly speaks to us through His _____.

The Field – Island of Cyprus

1. Once they landed on the Island of Cyprus, they began _____ the gospel.
 - The word translated "proclaim" can also be translated as _____, or teach, or publicly declare.
 - People need the life _____ power of the gospel.
2. They faced _____ to the gospel (Acts 13:6-8).
 - Wherever or whenever the gospel is preached, we should _____ opposition.
3. The gospel is _____ powerful than any opposing force.

Application

1. Choose today to be actively _____ in church.
2. Commit to _____ for our missionaries.
3. _____ support a missionary.
4. Is God _____ you into full-time missions?
5. Serve God right here in our _____.