

MESSAGE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Acts 13:13-52. What are some questions you have about this passage?

EXPLORE THE TEXT

ACTS 13:13	What happened in Perga to Paul's ministry team? Who left? Why?
ACTS 13:14-15	What did Paul do in Antioch in Pisidia? What was the initial reception?
ACTS 13:16-22	What was Paul's focus in the first part of his message? Why start there?
ACTS 13:23-41	What does Paul say about Jesus—His life? Death? Resurrection? Purpose?
ACTS 13:42-45	How did the crowd react to Paul's message? What happened next week?
ACTS 13:46-47	What did Paul say to the crowd in response? Why? Who benefited?
ACTS 13:48-52	What did the Gentiles do? Why? What happened then? Why is v. 52 key?

TRUTH TO LIVE BY

WHEN FRIENDS DESERT YOU, PRESS ON.

- 1. Have you had a friend desert you at an inopportune time? What made it hard?
- 2. Why do Christians sometimes disagree and go their separate ways?

 When this happens, how do you know if it is God's will or not? Is it always God's will?
- 3. Why does Satan encourage dissent & discontentedness amongst believers? When that happens, what should believers do? Why? How?

WHEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THE GOSPEL, PRESS ON.

- 4. How would you share the Gospel with a friend?
 PRACTICE: Take a moment and share the Gospel with someone in your group.
- 5. Should we adjust how we share the Gospel based on who the person is? For example, if the person is an atheist? Religious but not saved?
- 6. What's Paul's focus in vv. 16-22? In vv. 23-26? In vv. 27-37? In vv. 38-41? Why is each section important? How do they help the listeners trust Jesus?
- 7. What's the "divine side of evangelism"? What's the "human side"? Why does it matter how you live your life? Why is sharing the gospel also necessary?

WHEN OPPOSITION COMES YOUR WAY, PRESS ON.

- 8. Share a time when someone opposed/rejected you because you love Jesus. How did it make you feel? How did you respond? How did Jesus help you?
- 9. How do you discern how "open" a person is to spiritual truth? How does their "openness" direct how much or what you share with them about Jesus?