

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Acts 13:38**ACTS 13-1**

Therefore, my brothers, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.

**"PAUL'S FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY"
READ Acts 13:1-52**

DAY 1 READ Acts 13:1-52

1. What did you learn in last week's lesson about the power of God?
2. In today's reading, what do you observe about . . .
 - a. receptive hearts?
 - b. rejecting hearts?
 - c. redeemed hearts?

DAY 2 REVIEW Acts 13:1-12

- 3.a. What call to service did the Holy Spirit make in verses 1-3?
 - b. How did the church at Antioch respond?
 - c. What was the significance of the laying on of hands in Numbers 8:10-11?
 - d. How do you think a formal consecration ceremony is of benefit to the one being sent out?
- 4.a. Upon arrival at their first destination, where did Paul, Barnabas and John Mark begin their ministry?
 - b. If you were to go to a strange country as a missionary, where do you think you'd begin?
 - c. Perhaps your own neighborhood or work environment is mostly non-Christian. How could you begin to evangelize in familiar surroundings? Give several examples.
5. Verses 6-12 tell of the salvation of proconsul Sergius Paulus.
 - a. Why did the proconsul send for Barnabas and Saul?

ACTS 13-2

DAY 2 (Continued) REVIEW Acts 13:1-12

- 5.b. Who opposed them and why do you think he tried to do that?
- c. What did the Holy Spirit reveal through Paul as the motive of Elymas?
- d. How did the demonstration of God's power touch . . .
. . . Elymas?

. . . Sergius Paulus?
- e. How do you think a strong stand against evil can win people today?

DAY 3 REVIEW Acts 13:13-25

- 6.a. Paul and Barnabas traveled on to _____, but John Mark went where?
- b. What do you think might have contributed to John Mark's decision?
- 7. Being visitors in the Jewish synagogue at Pisidion Antioch, Paul and Barnabas were invited to speak.
 - a. What approach did Paul use?
 - b. How was Jesus introduced in Paul's sermon?
 - c. According to Isaiah 11:1-5, what would be descriptive of the expected Messiah?
 - d. In case they had heard of John the Baptist, of what did Paul assure them?

DAY 4 REVIEW Acts 13:26-41

- 8. How did Paul say Scripture was fulfilled in verses 26-29?
- 9. What proof did Paul offer that Jesus was the Messiah in verses 30-37?
- 10. Why was Jesus superior to the Law of Moses in verses 38-39?
- 11.a. What was the warning Paul gave?
 - b. Why do people today still scoff at the message of Christianity?

DAY 5 REVIEW Acts 13:42-52

- 12.a. How effective had Paul's message been?
- b. How did the Jews react?
- 13.a. Paul boldly told the Jews in verse 46 ". . . since you reject it (the message) and do not _____, now we turn to the Gentiles."
- b. According to these Scriptures, what had Jesus said?
John 3:36
- John 6:40
- 14.a. How did the Gentiles accept Paul's message in Acts 13:48?
- b. What do you think is a key to being spiritually receptive?
- 15.a. What happened to Paul and Barnabas in verse 50?
- b. In protest they did what as they left for Iconium?
- c. What was the attitude of the disciples?
16. Has God called you to do something that is at best "not easy" and at worst "full of persecution?" How do you find joy in doing His will?

PRAYER REQUESTS:

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LECTURE NOTES:

HISTORY NOTES:

John Winthorpe 1588-1649

Samuel Rutherford 1600-1661