

*A Church
for
Uncharted
Territory*

Acts 11:20-26
& 13:1-3





*“Pure
Life”*

1. How did the Christians of Antioch hear from God in the midst of this adventure?
2. How did the Christians of Antioch act upon what they heard from the Lord?

Acts 11:20-21

20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord.

Acts 11:22-24

22 The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose, 24 for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

Acts 11:25-26

25 So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,
26 and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

Acts 11:27-30

27 Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28 And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius). 29 So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. 30 And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Acts 13:1-3

1 Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. 2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." 3 Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

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- A HUNGER TO HEAR FROM GOD

How did the Christians of Antioch act upon what they heard from the Lord?

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- A PASSION FOR OBEDIENCE

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- A PASSION FOR OBEDIENCE
- A COMFORT IN TRUSTING GOD WITHOUT A ROADMAP
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- We see...

- A PASSION FOR OBEDIENCE
- A COMFORT IN TRUSTING GOD WITHOUT A ROADMAP
- A WILLINGNESS TO BE BROKEN FOR BLESSING

Will we hunger to hear God's
invitation?

Are we willing to be broken for
blessing?

NEXT SUNDAY

- “Learning to Live as Jesus’s Witnessing Community” Series Retrospective
- Giveaway Sunday!!! - supporting World Relief Seattle’s Afghan refugee resettlement efforts & the EFCA Crisis Response for Haiti