

PAUL'S FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Acts 13:1-14:28

Key Verse: 14:22

“...strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. ‘We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,’ they said.”

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read 13:1-4. What was special about the Antioch church? (11:19-21) Who were the Bible teachers? Why and how did they send out Barnabas and Saul as missionaries?
2. Read 13:4-12. Find Cyprus on a map. Who was Sergius Paulus and how was he converted? How did Paul deal with enemies of God? Read 13:13-15. Trace their journey from Cyprus to Pisidian Antioch. What happened to John Mark?
3. Read 13:16-25. How and why did God train his people? (Ex.19:5,6) How did Paul describe the flow of history? Why does he focus on David? What was God's promise and how did he keep it? (13:22-25)
4. Read 13:26-31. What is the good news? (26,32,33,38) What does it mean that Paul includes the Gentiles as brothers? (26) What did the people in Jerusalem do? How did this reveal God's sovereignty? What did God do? (30) What does it mean?
5. Read 13:32-41. How does Jesus' resurrection fulfill Scripture? What does it mean to all who believe? To unbelievers? (38-41; 1Co 15:54b,55) Read 13:42-52. What was the response to Paul's message? The result?
6. Read 14:1-7. What happened in Iconium? How did Paul handle a critical situation? How did God help him? Read 14:8-20. What happened in Lystra? What happened when he tried to teach Genesis? How did Paul show his resurrection faith? (19-21a)
7. Read 14:21-28. Trace the trip home. How did Paul encourage new believers? What was the report to the church in Antioch?