

*“THE CHURCH THAT SET
THE WORLD ON FIRE”
ACTS 11:19-30*

*ACTS 11 TEACHES US THAT MISSIONS
IS NOT ACCOMPLISHED BY
PROGRAMS, METHODS, STRATEGY
CAMPAIGNS, MONEY, OR ANYTHING
ELSE OTHER THAN DISCIPLESHIP.*

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- *ANTIOCH WAS THE THIRD GREATEST CITY OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE BEHIND ROME AND ALEXANDRIA. IT WAS A HEATHEN CITY, KNOWN FOR ITS WICKEDNESS.*

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- *THE BELIEVERS WERE SIMPLY COMMUNICATING THE TRUTH OF JESUS TO ALL THE JEWS THEY CAME ACROSS.*

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- *NOTICE THE CHURCH WAS BORN OUT OF PERSECUTION AND TRIBULATION.*
- *WHAT WE SEE IS THAT OUR SUFFERING IS ORDAINED BY GOD AS A MEANS TO SPREAD THE KINGDOM.*

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- *Vs. 20 IS A HINGE TO THE ENTIRE BOOK OF ACTS. THE GOSPEL IS NOW PREACHED TO GENTILES.*



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- *THE CHURCH IN ANTIOCH IS ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL CHURCHES THIS WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN AND IT WAS PLANTED BY ORDINARY BELIEVERS WHO TRUSTED GOD IN THE MIDST OF PERSECUTION.*



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- *GOD'S POWER IS WITH HIS PEOPLE WHEN THEY PREACH HIS MESSAGE.*



II. GROWTH THROUGH DISCIPLESHIP

- *BARNABAS SHARED ONE MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN ANTIOCH, "KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS."*



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- *WE ALL CAN LEARN A LESSON FROM BARNABAS. CRITICAL SPIRITS DO NOT MAKE DISCIPLES. PEOPLE THAT ARE "FULL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND FAITH" DO.*

III. GROWTH THROUGH CHARITY

- *EACH BELIEVER PURPOSED IN THEIR OWN HEART HOW THEY SHOULD RESPOND TO THE NEED.*
- *I AM THANKFUL THAT WE ARE CHURCH THAT EXERCISES GREAT FAITH AND THAT WE ARE WILLING TO MEET NEEDS THAT ARISE.*

WHAT'S COMING UP

- *OCTOBER 6TH - DARIN & KATHY ISHLER, MISSIONARIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.*
- *OCTOBER 13TH - ERNESTO & MARLENE FORTEZA, MISSIONARIES IN ARGENTINA.*
- *OCTOBER 20TH - JERRY & VIVIAN ROGERS, MISSIONS MOBILIZERS.*

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- *A LOVE GIFT WILL BE COLLECTED OCTOBER 20TH IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSIONARIES WHO ARE SPEAKING.*
- *WE HAVE ALSO INVITED LOCAL MINISTRIES TO COME AND SHARE DURING OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME ABOUT THEIR MINISTRIES AND WAYS WE CAN HELP.*