

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying Together

Each Sunday, we meet to pray at 8:45 am in the lower level of the Cabin. All are welcome to join together for this time of prayer.

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Thank you for your generous gifts to the NewDay staff at Christmas! We are humbled by your love. It's a great joy to be serving Jesus together with you, and we praise God for the opportunity to partner together in the Gospel.

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Pastor Kari, Angela, Derek, and Melinda

Acts Bible Reading Plan

You are invited to read along in the book of Acts each week, using the YouVersion Bible App. Click the QR code below to connect to a Bible Reading Plan for Acts, that will also have a short daily devotional with it. We will be teaching and preaching each Sunday, starting today with Acts 13, and then you will be encouraged to read the next chapter in the week in between. We will conclude our series on Acts on Sunday, February 25th, with Acts 27-28.



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If you would like to receive NewDay's Weekly Email, with information about upcoming community opportunities, write your name and email here, rip it off, and leave this at the Offering Table in the back.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP GATHERING

"See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not
perceive it?
I am making a way in the
wilderness and streams in the
wasteland."
Isaiah 43:19



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SCRIPTURE READING

Select Verses from Acts 13

1 Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with 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 So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

6 They traveled through the whole island until they came to Paphos. There they met a Jewish sorcerer and false prophet named Bar-Jesus, 7 who was an attendant of the proconsul, Sergius Paulus. The proconsul, an intelligent man, sent for Barnabas and Saul because he wanted to hear the word of God. 8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith. 9 Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said, 10 "You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord? 11 Now the hand of the Lord is against you. You are going to be blind for a time, not even able to see the light of the sun."

Immediately mist and darkness came over him, and he groped about, seeking someone to lead him by the hand. 12 When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, for he was amazed at the teaching about the Lord.

38 "Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. 39 Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses. 40 Take care that what the prophets have said does not happen to you:

42 As Paul and Barnabas were leaving the synagogue, the people invited them to speak further about these things on the next Sabbath. 43 When the congregation was dismissed, many of the Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who talked with them and urged them to continue in the grace of God.

44 On the next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. 45 When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy. They began to contradict what Paul was saying and heaped abuse on him.

49 The word of the Lord spread through the whole region. 50 But the Jewish leaders incited the God-fearing women of high standing and the leading men of the city. They stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region. 51 So they shook the dust off their feet as a warning to them and went to Iconium. 52 And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

NOTES

SERMON QUESTIONS

In Acts 13, the Church is growing, sending and sorting out how to follow Jesus together, and also to keep doing the things Jesus taught them to do. We see spiritual practices like worshiping together, fasting as they made decisions, and sharing the truth with boldness, confronting evil, and making sure those outside of the Jewish faith knew that they were included in God's promises of salvation and forgiveness in Jesus's name. They were discipling each other, and making more disciples continually.

Some questions/prompts to consider:

A disciple is...

Discipleship/Discipling is...

Being disciplined is...

What new thoughts do you have about the term 'disciple, disciplined or discipling?'

Who has been a part of your discipleship growth and journey?

Are you currently discipling anyone?

If not to the disciplined and discipling questions, what would you hope for in a discipling relationship?

And, if you were to disciple someone else, what would this look like for you? What are important parts of your walk with Jesus you would like to impart and impress upon someone else?

What is required of us to be disciplined by someone? (What character traits are needed in us?)

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