Scripture: Acts 13:38-52

Sermon: The Light of the World!

I. <u>SETTING: FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY</u> (c.13,14)

- A. PEOPLE: BARNABAS, SAUL/PAUL, [JOHN MARK] (13:1-5)
- B. PLACES: SYRIA, CYPRUS, SOUTH & CENTRAL ASIA MINOR (13:1,4; 13,14; 51,14:6,24f)
- **C. PREACHING: THE APOSTOLIC TESTIMONY** (16-41(2:14-36); 44,46,48,49; see 5,7; see 1:8,21; 9:15f(c.22,26); Gal.2:1f; 1Cor.15:1f)

II. STORY: THE GOSPEL GOES TO THE GENTILES (38,39; see 16-41; 2:14-36; 2Cor.5:21)

- **A. PROMISED** (47; Is.42:6; 49:6; Lk.2:32; see Gen.9:27; 12:3)
- **B. PRECEDENTED** (see Mt.1:5; Jon.1:1f; Jn.12:20)
- **C. PROVIDED** (46,52; 4:29-31,25f; see Acts 2:1f,33,38)
- **D. PRESCRIBED** (47; see 1:8; Mt.28:18f; see Jn.8:12; 9:5 & Mt.5:14f; also Col.1:5,18; Heb.1:6&12:23)
- **E. PROCLAIMED** (44,46,48,49; see 5,7; e.g., 16-41; 2:14-36)
- **F. PETITIONED** (42.44: see 8:31: 10:5f: 16:9)
- **G. PERSECUTED** (45,46; 50,51; see Lk.9:5; 10:11; note: 52; 5:41; 1Pt.4:12f)
- **H. PRUNED & PLANTED** (45f; Rom.11:17f,20; see 14:1; 17:1,10; 18:4; etc.; Rom.11:23-32)
- **I. PREDESTINED** (48; 4:28; see Rom.8:29f,37; 1Cor.2:7; Eph.1:4,5; 2:5-10; 1Jn4:19; also see Rm10:11,13; Ezk33:11)
- **J. PERVADED** (49; see 6:7; 8:4; 12:24; see Col.2:1; see Rev.1:20)
- **K. PERSISTED** (52; 2Th.1:6; see Ps.51:11,12; Rom.14:17; 15:13; Gal.5:22)

III. SERVICE: LIGHT UP YOUR WORLD! (47; see Jn.8:12; 9:5 & Mt.5:14)

- **A. BE LIGHT IN THE LORD!** (47; see Eph.5:8; Acts 26:18; see Acts13:29/30, 38/39, 40,41; 2:38,41; Mk1:15; 2C5:21)
- **B. LIGHT UP YOUR WORLD!** (47; see Jn.8:12; 9:5&Mt.5:14-16(Jn3:20) /lampstand (RPxPR!; Rev1:20;c2,3; 1Tm3:15)
- C. BEWARE OF THOSE WHO WOULD SNUFF YOU OUT! (45f,50f; see 2Tm3:12; 1Pt4:12f; 5:8; Mt10:16)
- **D. BE PREPARED TO MOVE ON!** (50f,52(5:41); see Lk.9:4,5; 10:5-12; and come back!; Acts 14:21f; 16:1f)
- **E. PERSEVERE TO THE END WITH JOY!** (49f,52; Rom.8:28f; 2Cor.4:16f; see Acts 7:1-60; 28:31; 2Tm.4:6f; 2Pet.1:12f; Mt.10:22)

Brethren, what shall WE do? (see Acts 2:37f)