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TITLE:

Life of Paul - Paul's First Missionary Journey (Part 6)

TEXT:

Acts 14:21-28

IN LYSTRA, ICONIUM, AND ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA

- After completing their missionary journey, Paul and Barnabas returned to the disciples they had previously visited (Acts 14:21).
- They confirmed or strengthened the souls of the disciples, exhorted them to continue in their faith, and appointed elders to lead each church (Acts 14:22-23).
- They spent time praying and fasting with the disciples before commending them to the Lord.

IN PISIDIA

- Pisidia is a region in Asia Minor bounded by Pamphylia, and the Pamphylian Sea, Phrygia, and Lycaonia.
- Paul and Barnabas passed throughout Pisidia.

IN PERGA

- Paul and Barnabas came to Perga and they preached the word (Acts 14:24-25).

IN ATTALIA

- Paul and Barnabas went down to Attalia where they sailed to Antioch (Acts 14:25-26).

IN ANTIOCH SYRIA

- Paul and Barnabas sailed to Antioch. (Acts 14:26).
- They rehearsed all that God had done to them, and how He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles (Acts 14:26-27).
- They stayed in Antioch for a long time (Acts 14:28).

PATTERN OF PAUL'S MINISTRY

1. Witness to Jews using the synagogue (if there was one).
2. Turning to the Gentiles.
3. Drawing believers from Jews, Jewish proselytes, and heathen Gentiles.
4. Baptizing the believers. Compare Gal. 3:27.
5. Organizing the local church. Compare Acts 14:23.
6. Suffering at the hands of unbelievers. Compare 2 Tim. 3:10-11.

LOCAL CHURCHES

1. Antioch Syria (Acts 11:26)
2. Antioch Pisidia (Gal. 1:2; Acts 13:52; 14:21-23; 16:4-5)
3. Iconium (Gal. 1:2; Acts 14:1, 3; 14:21-23; 16:4-5)
4. Lystra (Gal. 1:2; 14:21-23; 16:4-5)
5. Derbe (Gal. 1:2; 14:21-23; 16:4-5)

APPLICATION

- It is important to have a strategic plan for evangelism.
- Our ministry is centered in the context of a local church.