



MISSIONS MONTH 2022

# Set Apart & Sent Off

STUDY GUIDE • ACTS 13:42–52

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# The Consequences of Gospel Preaching in Missions

ACTS 13:42-52

## **WELCOME:** Fixing Our Focus

**Suggested icebreaker:**  
Ask each GG member to share their joys and pains in sharing the gospel.

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## **WORSHIP:** Adoring Our God

**Suggested songs:**

- [Here I Am to Worship \(Light of the World\)](#)
- [The Lord Is My Salvation](#)
- [The Old Rugged Cross](#)

# WORD & WALK:

## Understanding & Applying the Word

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### LESSON AIM

1. GG members will share the gospel with others.
2. GG members will not be disheartened by the rejection of the gospel.
3. GG members will glorify God for those who positively respond to the gospel.

### INTRODUCTION

In the previous lesson, we learned the message of salvation through Jesus Christ preached by Paul. In this lesson, we will see how different people react differently to the gospel message. Let us learn what are the implications of this as we share the gospel to other people.

### The people thirsted to hear more of God's Word (vv. 42-43)

1. What was the people's request to Paul and Barnabas as they left the synagogue?
2. What evidence do we see of the people's desire to learn more about God's Word?
3. What can we conclude about God's Word and its effect on people? (cf. Isaiah 55:11; John 4:13-14)

### APPLICATION

1. When was the last time reading the Bible made you desire to study it more? Why did it have that effect on you?
2. How did it feel when a person you shared the gospel with responded by wanting to learn more?
3. How does the assurance and encouragement that God's Word will accomplish its purpose affect your attitude toward sharing the gospel with others?

### Paul turned to the Gentiles because of the Jews' rejection of the gospel (vv. 44-47)

1. How many people came to hear Paul in the following Sabbath? What do you think was the composition of the people?
2. How did the Jews react to the crowd that gathered to listen to Paul?
3. How did Paul and Barnabas respond to the Jews?
4. What is the significance of the passage they quoted? (cf. Isaiah 49:6; Luke 2:25-32; Acts 26:23)
5. How did God use the Jews' rejection of the gospel to further the gospel message? (cf. Romans 11:25)

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### APPLICATION

1. God desires that salvation reach both Jews and Gentiles. How can you take part in His mission?
2. Have you experienced people reacting negatively when you shared the gospel with them? What were the reasons why they responded negatively?

### The Gentiles rejoiced while the Jews persecuted Paul and Barnabas (vv. 48-52)

1. How did the Gentiles react to the declaration of Paul and Barnabas?
2. What is the connection between a person believing in the gospel and God's plan for that person?
3. What was spreading throughout the region as many people were coming to faith in Christ?
4. How did the Jews react to the spread of the gospel and the coming to faith of the Gentiles?
5. What did Paul and Barnabas do as they left Pisidian Antioch? (cf. Mark 6:11)
6. What can we learn about the possible reactions of people to the gospel message? (cf. Acts 14:1-2; 17:4-5)

### APPLICATION

1. What are your thoughts on the truth that God is the One who appoints people to salvation?
2. How have you been persecuted for sharing the gospel with others? How did you respond?
3. On the other hand, how was your experience of people who responded positively to the gospel? How would you describe their response and how did it impact you?

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### PRAYER ITEM

Pray for each other that you will continue to thirst for God's Word, and that God stir your hearts to be passionate and bold to share the gospel with others. Take time to pray for people with whom you plan to share the gospel, that God will prepare their hearts to receive His Word. Pray that God will protect your hearts from disappointment and frustration when people respond negatively to the gospel and you are persecuted for sharing the gospel.



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