

## Acts 13

# *Evangelizing Bible-believers*

Sermon Notes for September 1, 2013, by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

1st Missionary Trip; Joshua/Acts; Seleucia; Individuals/Church; Stephen/Peter/Paul, Saul/Paul

Lessons for Witnessing and Helping Other Churches

- I. The Spirit and the Church - vv. 1-4a  
Precondition for Evangelism

Significance of the Worshipping Church

- II. Sergius Paulus and Bar-Jesus/Elymas: A Cameo - vv. 4b-12  
Consider People's Associates

Commitment to Church Discipline

- III. THE Sermon - vv. 13-41

- A. A Shared History of Election, Rejection and Grace - vv. 16-25  
Affirmation, Story, Particular Authorities, Quick Movement to Jesus

Identity with Israel, "Savior" Broadened, Know Your Bible Stories

- B. The Gospel of Salvation Declared - vv. 26-39  
Good News of the Sovereign, Resurrected Jesus the Only Liberator

A Theocratic Kingdom

- C. A Severe Waning (AD 70, Hell) - vv. 40-41  
Intellectual and Moral Challenge

The Cause of Our Growing Defeat

"Despising"

God by loving Money - Matthew 6:24; Luke 16:13

Children - Matthew 18:10

God's Grace (via Cheap Grace) Romans 2:4

The Local Church 1 Corinthians 11:22

Pastors 1 Timothy 4:12

Believing Employers or Supervisors 1 Timothy 6:2

Authority 2 Peter 2:10

The Right Thing to Despise - The Shame of the Cross Hebrews 12:2

- IV. The Aftermath - vv. 42-51

Interest; Envy; Persecution; Declaring Judgment; Success; "Death" of Enemies

- V. A Joyous and Spirit-filled Church - v. 52

Conclusion - v. 48