

From Persecution to Proclamation

Pastor Stephen Baker. Sunday, July 28, 2024.

Acts: The Blueprint for the Church / Acts 11:19–30

Introduction

I. The Spread of the Gospel to Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch ([Acts 11:19-21](#))

- A. Persecution after Stephen's death: (v. 19)
- B. Preaching to Jews only initially: (v. 19)
- C. Hellenistic Jews preaching to Greeks in Antioch: (v. 20)
- D. The Lord's hand with them: (v. 21)

II. The Jerusalem Church Sends Barnabas to Antioch ([Acts 11:22-24](#))

- A. Jerusalem hears the news: (v. 22)
- C. Barnabas' ministry in Antioch: (v. 23)
- D. Barnabas' character: (v. 24)

III. Barnabas Brings Saul (Paul) to Antioch ([Acts 11:25-26](#))

- A. Barnabas seeks Saul: (v. 25)
- B. Barnabas and Saul in Antioch: (v. 26)



IV. The Prophecy of Agabus and the Response ([Acts 11:27-30](#))

- A. Prophets from Jerusalem to Antioch: (v. 27)
- B. Agabus' prophecy: (v. 28)
- C. Disciples' response: (v. 29)
- D. Relief sent to Judea: (v. 30)

Conclusion

The passage highlights the early church's mission and growth, the inclusion of Gentiles, the role of Barnabas and Saul, and the early church's response to needs.

1. Spreading the Gospel in Difficult Times.
2. Encouragement and Support within the Community.
3. Generosity and Aid.

Prayer Requests	Information
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sarah – continues to improve. Derek, Rodger & Carol. 2. Dee & Daniel 3. Tim and Sharon Griggs family. 4. Althea – asks prayer for her niece who has low blood pressure. 5. Kevin A. - healing 6. Zane - November surgery 7. Sadie - healing 8. Aunt Francis – healing, and Karen, her daughter. 9. Reme and Abbey 10. Ethan and Brandon - redemption/healing. 11. Roger F. – healing 12. David P. - healing 13. Wylene – Continues to have pain. 14. Becky - healing 15. Pilgrim Ministries. 16. Abbey - in lot of pain - healing 17. United States 18. Israel 19. Unspoken Requests 20. Wisdom for the church 21. Cindy D. - healing 22. Marvin F. - healing 23. Selina Cowan - healing 24. April – healing, breathing. 25. Pastor 26. Harold and Hazel P. 27. Janice Foster – health issues. 28. J. Skidmore - healing 29. Selina H. – healing 30. Karen – personal issue/health. 31. Mike & Julia G. – New baby 32. Herschel W. – Day job. 33. Mike W. – Mother – healing. 34. Andre Willis’s son injury – healing. 35. Althea asks prayer for the Holtzclaw grandson who is 1 years old with medical problems. 36. Lucy – Steve’s granddaughter’s friend. 37. Courtney B. – High Risk pregnancy. 38. Shirley Evans – ear better/second cataract surgery coming up on 30th. 	<p>*Sunday School: 10 am</p> <p>*Morning Worship & Bible Preaching: 11 am / Harmony Kids! 11 am (in the Gym)</p> <p>*Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 pm (in the Christian Life Center)</p> <p>*Listen Online: <i>HarmonyBCOnline.com</i>. You can also download our App. In your device’s app store, search for: ChurchOne by Sermon Audio. Once the app is installed, enter code: 03874</p> <p>*Online Giving: https://HarmonyBCOnline.com/giving-online/</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div> <p>*Books by Pastor Stephen Baker: CrossLifePress.com</p> <p>*Contact Pastor Stephen Baker: pastor.harmonybc@gmail.com 706-659-9298</p> <p>*Free Guest Wi-Fi During the Service.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div> <p>Network Name: Harmony BC-guest Password: freewifi</p>