

SENT OUT BY CHRIST'S SPIRIT: THE CHURCH'S MISSIONARY CALL

ACTS 13:1–5

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

- I. Christ's Care for the Local Church by the Spirit (13:1; 20:28)

- II. Christ's Call to Missionary Service by the Spirit (13:2; 9:15-16)
 - A. The Spirit's Internal Call to Service (1 Tim 3:1; Mark 10:45; Prov. 28:26)

 - B. The Spirit's External Call to Service (13:2; 1 Tim 3, Titus 1:5-9)

- III. The Church Prayerfully Seeks and Follows Christ's Call to Mission (13:2-3; Acts 1:8; Matt 28:18-20)
 - A. The Pattern of Prayer and Fasting (Matt 6:16-19; Luke 5:33–35)

 - B. The Pattern of Prayer and Fasting and Missions (Luke 3:21-22; Acts 1:14; 2:1-4ff)

Reflection and Application Questions (for personal reflection and family conversation):

1. How does Christ call to missionary service in his church?
2. What is the pattern of prayer and fasting that we see in the New Testament?
3. What experience do you have with fasting? How can you incorporate this practice into your devotional life?