

SERMON QUESTIONS

Adventures of Saint Paul

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Acts 13:1-6a

The Lord called Paul, his first missionary . . . "This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." (Acts 9:15-16).

The missionary call has not changed since Paul. Suffering for His name is the missionary call.

1. Question: Have you ever been on a mission trip? Share where you went, what you did, how you felt about it. What hardships did you endure?
2. Backing up to Acts 10-12, what was God doing in his people through Peter to set the stage for Saul's/Paul's first Missionary Journey?
3. Read Acts 13: 1-6a. Describe the church which was at Antioch. Dr. Mary Ho describes it as:
 - a) **Worshiping and Holy Spirit Sending Church:** Question: What evidence is there of this at Sunset Church?
 - b) **A Suffering Church:** Read Acts 11: 19-21 Question: What were the consequences of the persecution in Rome? How did it further the reach of the Gospel?
 - c) **A Discipling Church:** Read Acts 11: 22-26 Question: How have you been disciple? where do you see this happening at Sunset Church?
 - d) **A Giving Church:** Read Acts 11:27-30 Question: Where do our tithes and offerings go at Sunset? What fruit has Giving produced in your life?
 - e) **A Diverse Church:** Read Acts 13:1-2 Question: Describe the variety of people in the church at Antioch. What diversity is there at Sunset?
 - f) **An Innovative Church:** What were some of the innovative practices of the Antioch church which Mary mentioned? What creative innovations have you seen at Sunset Church?
4. Pray for our church here at Sunset; for its leaders, ministries, and outreach. Pray for other churches in our area.