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**EVANGELISM BECOMES A
FOCUS OF THE CHURCH
(ACTS 11) – PART 2**



REVIEW OF PREVIOUS LESSON:

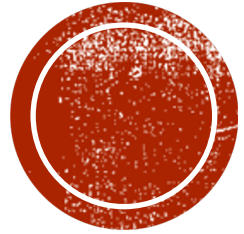
- We will see how Peter convinces the church in Jerusalem that God has reached out to Gentiles with the Gospel.



IN THIS LESSON:

- We will see how Antioch became active in evangelism.









THE GOSPEL REACHES ANTIOCH AND BEYOND!

Acts 11:19 – 24

ACTS 11:19 (ESV)

19 Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews.



-  Paul and Barnabas travel to Antioch
-  Paul and Barnabas sent to Jerusalem
-  Paul and Barnabas return to Antioch
-  Kingdom of Agrippa I



ACTS 8:1 (ESV)

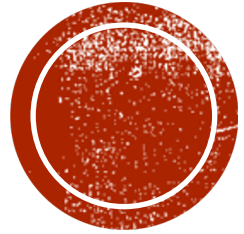
1 And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.



ACTS 8:4 (ESV)

4 Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word.





***“SPEAKING THE WORD TO NO
ONE EXCEPT JEWS”***

ACTS 11:2 — 3 (ESV)

2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, 3 “You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.”



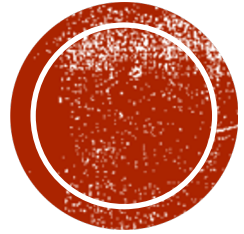
ACTS 11:20 – 21 (ESV)

20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord.





IT IS INTERESTING TO RECOGNIZE THAT IT WAS HELLENISTS WHO WERE REACHING OUT TO GENTILES WITH THE GOSPEL SINCE IT IS THEY WHO LIVED AMONGST THE GENTILES IN THEIR DAY TO DAY LIVES.



***“A GREAT NUMBER WHO
BELIEVED TURNED TO THE LORD”***

ACTS 3:19 (ESV)

19 Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out,



ACTS 2:38 (ESV)

38 And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.



ACTS 10:48 (ESV)

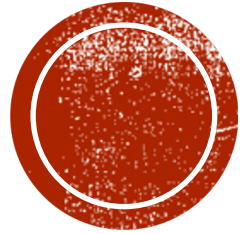
48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.



ACTS 11:22 – 24 (ESV)

22 The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose, 24 for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.





**DID THE CHURCH IN
JERUSALEM OVERSTEP
THEIR AUTHORITY?**

ACTS 11:17 (ESV)

17 If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"



ACTS 10:47 (ESV)

47 “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?”



ACTS 4:36 (ESV)

36 Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus,



**IN OUR NEXT STUDY WE
WILL GO ON TO STUDY THE
REST OF CHAPTER 11!**

