

# Chapter 13

- ▶ 13:1–4
  - Barnabas and Saul and John Mark sent from Antioch
- ▶ 13:4–12
  - Preaching in Cyprus
- ▶ 13:13–52
  - Preaching in Antioch of Pisidia



# Dating Events in Acts: Working Backwards

Year	Event	Based on
51/52	Gallio proconsul in Corinth	Per secular history
51–53	Paul in Corinth, 2 <sup>nd</sup> journey, 1 ½ years	Acts 18:11
50	Meeting in Jerusalem in Acts 15	Conjecture, but occurred just before 2 <sup>nd</sup> journey
45	Relief sent to saints in Judea	Acts 11:27–30; conjecture that famine occurred after Herod's death, due to 12:20
44	Herod's death	Per Josephus
43–44	Paul & Barnabas spend 1 year in Antioch	Acts 11:26
39	Saul's first trip to Jerusalem	Acts 9:27; Gal 1:18; based on 1) if "after 14 years" in Gal 2:1 is after his conversion, and Jerusalem meeting was in 50 AD (constrained by date of Gallio's rule in Corinth), then his conversion was in 36 AD, and 2) Saul went to Jerusalem 3 years after his conversion
37	Saul's time in Damascus between the time of his conversion and his first trip to Jerusalem	Aretas, king in Damascus in the timeframe of 37 AD (ISBE) Acts 9:22–25; 2 Corinthians 11:32
36	Saul's conversion	Acts 9



**S FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY**

Acts 13 & 14

City  
 One of the "Seven Churches" - Rev. 2-3  
 Paul's Route →

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# Antioch of Syria

- ▶ City dated back to 301 BC
- ▶ Under Roman rule, was the capital of Syria
- ▶ Crossroads of East & West
- ▶ Commercial center
- ▶ Between 300K–500K
- ▶ Only Rome & Alexandria larger
- ▶ Jolted by severe earthquake in 37AD
- ▶ 300 miles north of Jerusalem



# Acts 13

- ▶ The church in Antioch
  - Prophets and teachers
    - Ephesians 4:11
- ▶ The Holy Spirit said
- ▶ Separate to Me
- ▶ Laid hands on them
  - Numbers 27:23
- ▶ Mark 6:7



# Overview of the Journey

- ▶ Barnabas & Saul, and John Mark their assistant
- ▶ Approximately 1200 miles
- ▶ Perhaps 4–5 years
- ▶ Distances
  - Sailed 100 miles to Cyprus
    - Who was from Cyprus?
    - Hade gospel already been preached there?
  - 150 miles across Cyprus
  - 150 miles from Paphos to Perga
  - 100 miles from Perga to Antioch in Pisidia
  - 60 miles from Antioch to Iconium
  - 18 miles from Iconium to Lystra
  - 20 miles from Lystra to Derbe



# Preaching in Cyprus

- ▶ Salamis
  - Synagogues
- ▶ Paphos
  - Sergius Paulus
    - Proconsul
    - Cyprus a Senatorial province; official appointed by the Roman Senate
  - Elymas
    - Sought to turn the proconsul away from the faith
  - Saul's first recorded miracle
- ▶ The proconsul believed

