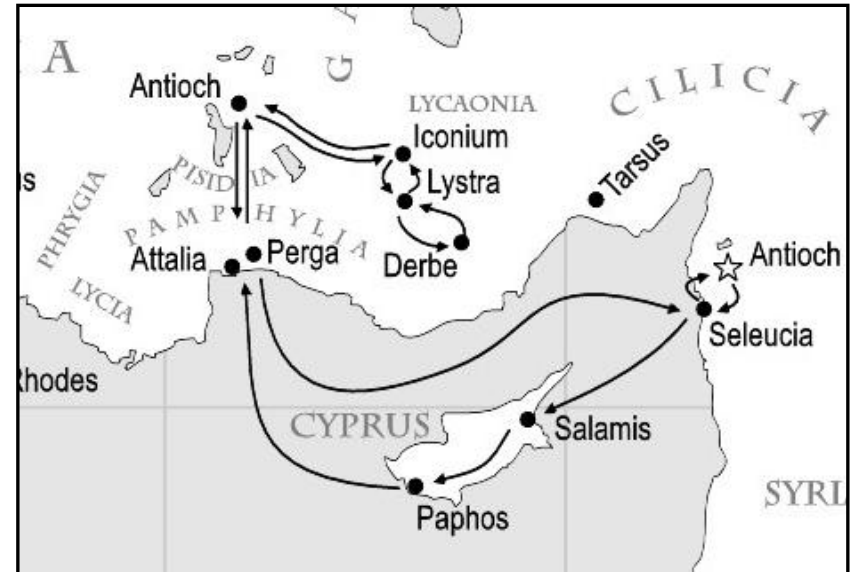


## Paul's First Missionary Journey – (Review)



*“And you will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth”*

Home Fellowship Group Bible Study notes  
Tuesday 30th/ Wednesday 31st August

## Background Reading:



**Acts 11:19-29**  
**Acts 13:1-14:7**

- 1) From Acts 11:19-29 and Acts 13:1-3 what would you identify as the characteristics of a 'missionary church'?
- 2) It was the pattern on this missionary journey to head straight to the Jewish synagogue on entering a town or city. *What did Paul and Barnabas understand about the relationship between Jew and Gentile in respect of the gospel?*
- 3) In Pisidian Antioch Paul engages in a potted history of the nation of Israel (13:16-41) as he preaches the gospel. *Why would this have been of interest to the Jews and of importance to Paul as he presents Christ to them?*
- 4) At various stages in the journey to date we have seen real spiritual fruit from the missionaries' labours (e.g. 13:12,43,48; 14:1). *What is the significance of the differing individuals and groups of people who responded to the gospel?*

- 5) Another of the characteristics of mission work that we have identified is that of opposition (see 13:8,45,50; 14:4-5). How do Paul and Barnabas react to this and what does this teach us about our own gospel work today?

**During the course of our studies we have noticed how Barnabas has willingly stepped back into the subordinate role in the mission work. By the time they get to Pisidian Antioch the story is no longer about "*Barnabas and Saul*" (e.g. 11:26); but about "*Paul and his companions*" (13:13) or "*Paul and Barnabas*" (13:42).**

- 6) Having observed Barnabas in these chapters, what do we learn about the character of a true gospel worker?

**At the end of study 12 we left Paul and Barnabas fleeing for their lives, yet still focussed on the gospel call. In our next study beginning in 14:8 we will find them in Lystra and Derbe...**

***"...Where they continued to preach the good news."***

(Acts 14:7).

