



### Background:

When the gospel is preached with power, the Holy Spirit draws people to Himself. As Christians, we should be in a constant state of hunger and thirst for Christ's righteousness. As the apostles went into a new town, they would preach the gospel in the synagogues first, bringing God's message to the Jews.

During this portion of the journey, as the Jews refused to hear the gospel message, a major shift happened that resulted in a focus on bringing the gospel message to the Gentiles. We see here that a time comes when we may need to just move on from hard-hearted, stiff-necked people. This kind of action must only come at the prompting of the Holy Spirit.



### Read Acts 13:42-48

Why do you think the Jews were jealous?

Would you be able to defend your faith boldly? Why do you answer the way you do?

### Read Acts 13:49-51

What would it look like for a revival to break out in our area, and the gospel to spread like wildfire?

When is it acceptable to stop trying to share the gospel with other people?

### Read Romans 1:16-17, 11:25-32; Matthew 23:37-39

What do these passages tell you about the spread of the gospel message to the Gentiles?

How important is grace for salvation of both Jews and Gentiles?



## **Life Change:**

Who do you feel God nudging you to share your faith with?

What stops you from sharing your faith?

What parts of these Scriptures do you not understand?



## **Getting Out There:**

Last week, you were instructed to write down the names of 3 people that you might be able to share the gospel with. This week, pray for the opportunity to share the gospel with these people. If you have never shared the gospel, memorize Romans 6:23 as a starting point. (Teams “out there” this week: High School - Honduras)



## **Family Moments:**

**Elementary:** Read Acts 13:44-48

Was everyone excited to hear Paul’s message? Can you think of a time when you tried to share something good with someone and they didn’t want it?

\*Pray as a family for God to give you opportunities to share God’s message with others and for God to prepare their hearts to hear the message.

**Teen:** Read Acts 13:49-51

The disciples faced challenges as they shared love with people. How do they respond in verse 51 and 52?

What challenges have we faced in sharing love towards the family we are trying to reach? How can we continue on in joy?