

FBC Sebring Wednesday Prayer Meeting – Pastor Matt Crawford

March 2, 2016

Prayer in the Book of Acts (Part 9)

Acts 13:1-3 (ESV)

1 Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.”

3 Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.

Prayer points:

- Pray that God would continue to raise up prophets and teachers within His Church, and that we would be faithful to disciple and train them (as Barnabas did for Saul).
- Ask God to help us grow in the spiritual disciplines of fasting and prayer.
- Pray that we would have spirits that are attentive and obedient to the Holy Spirit’s direction.
- Pray that the Spirit would call out laborers into His harvest around the world, including from our church.

Some events during this missionary journey:

Miraculous defeat of Bar-Jesus the sorcerer
Conversion of Sergius Paulus the proconsul
Many saved in Pisidian Antioch and in Iconium
Lame man healed in Lystra
Paul survives stoning in Lystra
Many disciples made in Lystra and Derbe

Acts 14:23-28

23 And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in Whom they had believed.

24 Then they passed through Pisidia and came to Pamphylia.

25 And when they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia,

26 and from there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had fulfilled.

27 And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

28 And they remained no little time with the disciples.

Prayer points:

- Praise God for His omnipotent power, and that He does amazing things through us!
- Pray that He would use us mightily to bring many to salvation and to help them to grow in their faith.
- Pray that we would be committed to the Lord in Whom we have believed.
- Thank God for His work among both Jews and Gentiles – by which we have been saved!