



"CALLED" Acts 14

Background on Acts

- The book of Acts was written by Luke. It is the only NT book that continues the history begun in the Gospels. It is, also, the only book of the Bible that records the historical transition from Judaism to Christianity.

- In Luke's Gospel, Luke told the story of Jesus' personal ministry, primarily to the Jews. In Acts the emphasis is mainly of Jesus' ministry, through His apostles, to the Gentile world.

- As we come to Chapter 13 of Acts, the emphasis of the Gospel is now spreading to the Greek world. Paul and Barnabas are commissioned in Antioch to take the Gospel to the Gentile world and they set off on their first missionary journey.

Who are the "CALLED"? (Romans 1:1-7)

_____ followers of Christ.

The Greek word for called here is: "kletos"

"Invited (by God through the _____ of the _____) to obtain eternal salvation in the Kingdom through Christ."

What are we "CALLED" to?

1. To _____ the Gospel. (2 Cor 5:20)

2. "... To _____ the _____ for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus". (Phil. 3:14)

The "CALLED" to have these 4 traits:

1. Looks _____ not _____
(Acts 13:49-52, Phil 3:13, Heb 12:1)
2. _____ confident (is neither flattered by applause nor discouraged by opposition)
Applause: (Acts 14:11)
Opposition: (Acts 13:8,45,49-52; 14:2,4-5,19)
3. Gets _____ when knocked down.
(When is the mission done?) Acts 14:19-20
 - a. You are _____ ("all in")
 - b. You have the _____ in mind (Phil 3:14, 2 Cor 4:7-10, Gal 6:17, Acts 5:41-42)
4. Has a _____ to tell of God's power and grace!
(Acts 14:26-27, Acts 4:20, 5:38-39)
Acts 14:27, The word "reported" (NIV) literally means, "to make known".

? What is your story of God's power and grace?

? Can you truly be a follower of Christ ("CALLED") and not have a story to tell?