

Missions 101

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Text: Acts 13

1. God will give direction regarding a mission during a time of prayer and fasting. *Acts 13:2*

While the church leaders were worshipping the Lord during a time of praying and fasting, the Lord spoke to them.

2. God has certain people in mind for certain missions. *Ephesians 2:10*

God wanted them to send out Barnabus and Saul to do the work of the Lord.

3. God will confirm His Word with power. *1 Corinthians 2:1-5, 4:20*

The Word of God is real. God is real. And He wants us to know this so that you are putting your faith in Truth.

4. Preach the Word. God's Word will satisfy. *Psalms 34:8, 119:103; Jeremiah 15:16, Matthew 5:6*

You won't know how good God's Word is until you taste it.

5. God wants us to take His Good News to the ends of the earth. *Matthew 28:18-20, Romans 10:14-15*

How will they believe unless they hear? How will they hear unless we are sent?

6. God will bless you when you are persecuted. *Matthew 5:10-12, 1 Peter 4:14*

Don't let those who oppose your faith stop you. Pray for them. Sinners don't want to be told they are sinners. They would rather silence you or send you away.

We are all called to help fulfill the Great Commission. Where are you going to go? Well obviously right now, not very far due to the Coronavirus. But you can start dreaming about a place. You can pray. You can fast and ask the Lord. You can look online. Take out a world map and ask the Lord to show you a place. You can plan for the future. We are planning missions to Baja and Malawi. You can also visit the missionaries we support.

You can also start in your neighborhood. We have people from all over the world living among us. Start here. Start now. Ask those you interact with if they know how to get to Heaven. Tell them and watch God work!