

Lessons & Observations from **Acts 13**

1. Every congregation needs **good** teachers.
2. Every congregation needs **faithful** teachers.
3. Every congregation needs **willing** teachers.
4. Some people need to stay home in the Lord's service, and some need to go to other places in the Lord's work.
5. Missionaries need to have a good relationship with their sponsoring congregation and overseeing eldership.
6. Congregations need to know their missionaries well.
7. Some try to keep others from obeying the gospel.
8. Some who begin the work fail to see it all the way through.
9. Effective work is not done by quitters.
10. Faithful work is not done by quitters.
11. A good knowledge of the Old Testament will help in preaching Christ and the New Testament gospel. **Romans 15:4** – "For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope."
12. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects hope.
13. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects God.
14. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects Christ.
15. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects the Bible.
16. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects the church.
17. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects the forgiveness of sins.
18. When one rejects the gospel, he rejects Heaven.
19. When one rejects the gospel, he is embracing hell whether he realizes it or not.
20. When one rejects the gospel, he is shunning and refusing the Heaven God has offered him.

21. Where God's truth and work is being propounded, the devil will raise up persecution against it.
22. Don't let persecution destroy your faith and zeal.
23. When one preaches, he should reason with his audience.
24. What some will refuse to hear in one place, others will welcome in another.
25. People today still try to make the right way of the Lord look crooked.

26. There are still those today who desire the word of God.
27. One can still preach the gospel in his home area.
28. The world still has its enemies of righteousness. **Acts 13:10**
29. Some are astonished at the doctrine of the Lord. **Acts 13:12**
30. Christians today need to “say on.” **Acts 13:15**
31. Through Christ forgiveness of sins is still preached. **Acts 13:38**
32. We must never exclude anyone who has answered the call of the gospel.
33. The word of the Lord should be preached throughout all the regions of the earth. **Acts 13:17**
34. Everyone should dedicate themselves to use their talents, time, and money for God’s work.
35. There is a time to be nice and a time to confront. **Acts 13:10**
36. Jesus came, not to defeat Rome, but to defeat sin. Mission accomplished!
37. The very Scriptures the Jews study (the Old Testament) point to Jesus.
38. When teaching others about the gospel, begin where they are and from there bring them to the truth. **John 8:32** – “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”
39. Jealousy can close one’s eyes to the truth. **Acts 13:42-45**
40. How tragic when one’s own jealous feelings tries to stop God’s work.
41. When confronted by a disturbing truth, people often turn away and refuse to listen.
42. When God’s word points out needed changes in our lives, we should heed it.
43. When truth comes near, do not try to push it away.