

SERMON GUIDE

A NEW GENERATION

Acts 11:19-30

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SERMON NOTES

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 2, Week 41)

1 Peter 4:19 (Suffering)

Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayers that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: Have you ever been invited by an older leader to step into a new role? What was that like? What did you learn?

Note About the Passage: Acts 13:1 describes the leaders of the church at Antioch. What we discover is that there was a fascinating mix of people with Greek, Roman and Jewish names from many different backgrounds and ethnicities present in the leaders in Antioch. The first truly multi-national congregation in scripture.

Read Acts 11: 19-30

- S** What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O** Share every observation that you can about the congregation at Antioch. Why do you think it was here that we were first called "Christians" ('little Christs')? What did the world see in this congregation that was so unique?
- O** What stands out to you about Barnabas? What made him such a great mentor and leader? How do you see him encouraging the next generation of leaders?
- O** What do observe about God in this story? What is he doing? What is he like? How does Jesus build up the church?
- A** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- A** This year, Faith Community Church will see four of its key staff or pastors retire. In addition, we lost a key staff person to cancer in April. What would you love to see God do in the next generation of leaders at FCC? How could you be praying for them this week? Is there anything specific that God is calling you to do to support them?
- A** In the sermon, Pastor Prince introduced us to an acronym: FRANCES – Friends, Relatives, Acquaintances, Neighbors, Coworkers, Enemies, Strangers. In the coming month we're going to commit to asking for God's mercy in the lives of these people, and for opportunity to introduce them to Jesus. Do any names come immediately to mind?
- P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.