

Opportunity and Opposition

Acts 13:44-52

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1. The gospel knows no boundaries

- This is Paul's first missionary journey (13:1-14:28)
- Paul determines to start with those who will listen
- There are those whom God has opened their hearts to hear the gospel

2. The gospel is the good news the Savior has come

- Israel's history points to a coming Savior (13:16-25)
- Israel's scriptures were fulfilled in Jesus Christ (13:26-38)
- Salvation comes through faith in Christ (13:39-43)

3. We should be willing to preach the gospel to everybody while realizing that some don't want to hear it

- The fact that we may face rejection doesn't mean we should give up

4. We should especially look for those who are open to listening to the gospel

- There are open doors of opportunity
- Life transitions, personal crises, big questions, friendship

We need to ask the Holy Spirit to open our eyes to opportunities to witness. We need to ask the Holy Spirit to give us courage in the face of opposition.