Questions on Acts chapter 13

1. How do you think the Holy Spirit spoke to the prophets and teachers at Antioch? Verses 1-2.

2. What was the purpose of fasting, praying, and laying on of hands? Verses 3-4.

3. How far was it from Salamis to Paphos? Who was John and in what way do you think he may have ministered? Verse 5-6.

4. How could a man of understanding such as Sergius Paulus be taken in by a Jewish false prophet? Verses 7-8.

5. Why do you think Saul was addressed as Paul after this encounter with Elymas? Verses 9-10.

6. How did Paul bring about Sergius Paulus’ conversion? Verses 11-12.

7. Can you think of two changes in Luke’s description as they leave Paphos? Where is the company at this point? Why attend a synagogue? Verses 13-14.

8. Did Paul have permission to speak and who were the “men of Israel” and “ye that fear God”? Verses 15-16.

9. How does Paul appeal to the Jews’ sense of national pride and sense of being someone special in God’s plan? Verses 17-21.

10. What two men form the burden of Paul’s introduction and what is Paul’s proposition in verse 23? Verses 22-24.

11. Why would John’s testimony be of any value? Verses 25-26.

12. What does Paul show as a fulfillment of the testimony of the prophets? Verses 27-29.

13. What proof of Jesus as the Messiah is more conclusive than the testimony of John or the fulfillment of prophecy? Verses 30-31.

14. What prophecy of David applied to the resurrection and what is meant by “this day I have begotten thee”? Verses 32-33.

15. To what event and to whom do the prophecies in Isaiah 55:3 and Psalm 16:10 refer? Verses 34-35.

16. Why is the most likely objection of the Jews, that is that David spoke of himself, impossible and what is the only possible application of David’s words? Verses 36-39.

17. What could be found in Christ that could never be found in the Law, according to Paul? Verses 38-39.

18. What does Paul warn will happen to them because of unbelief? Verses 40-41.

19. Who were the most interested in Paul’s preaching and what did Paul and Barnabas urge the congregation to do? Verses 42-43.

20. What was the real objection of the Jewish leaders? Verses 44-45.

21. How did these men judge themselves unworthy of eternal life and what did the apostles understand the prophecy to mean? Verses 46-47.

22. What is a better word than “ordained” in this verse? Verse 48.

23. What were the results of their preaching and what happened to Paul and Barnabas? Verses 49-50.

24. Who directed Paul and Barnabas to shake the dust of their feet against the unbelievers and what was the attitude of the new disciples? Verses 51-52.