

The Book of Acts - Chapter 13
DURABILITY: A PREREQUISITE TO SERVING CHRIST WELL
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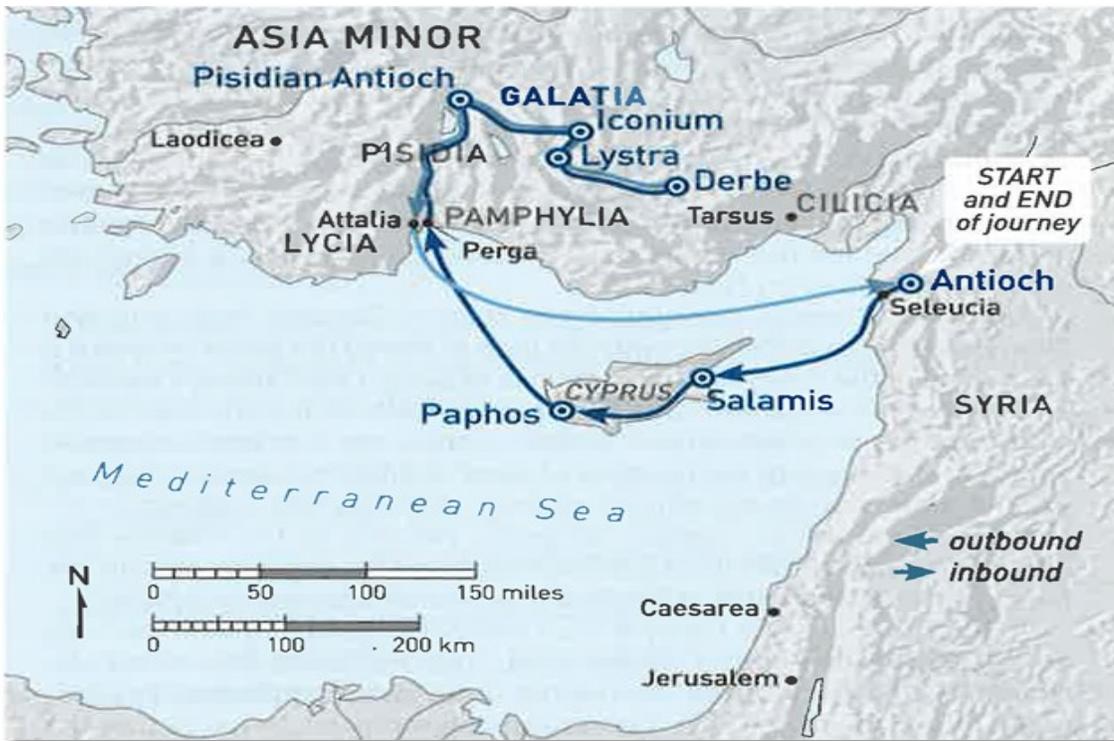
Acts 9.16 And I will show him (Paul) how much he must suffer for My name's sake.

Acts 13. 14-16 But Paul and Barnabas traveled inland to Antioch of Pisidia. On the Sabbath they went to the synagogue for the services. ¹⁵ After the usual readings from the books of Moses and the prophets, those in charge of the service sent them this message: "Brothers, if you have any word of encouragement for the people, come and give it." ¹⁶ So Paul stood, lifted his hand to quiet them, and started speaking. "Men of Israel," he said, "and you God-fearing Gentiles, listen to me.

Acts 13.36 uses a powerful reminder about doing the will of God, NOW. "...for after David had done the will of God in his own generation, he died and was buried with his ancestors, and his body decayed."

The only way to influence future generations is to:
 pray for them, disciple them, train them, teach them and write to them.
Let's set them up for SUCCESS!

Hebrews 12.1-3 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. ² We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting Him, He endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now He is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. ³ Think of all the hostility He endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.



1. We can learn from others that the road ahead is long, rough, smooth, and **WORTH** it.
2. Being durable requires constant **MONITORING** of our lives.
3. **DURABLE** followers of Jesus know the race on earth is temporal, but the results will go into eternity.
4. Durable types are not **SWAYED** by what's trendy, quick fads, or the latest viral sensation.
5. Durable followers of Jesus love the lost and know that one day every wrong will be made right, injustice will melt away on His justice, and not quitting in **ADVERSITY** will have a payoff.

SALVATION PRAYER

Jesus, I find myself being drawn to You. I want You to be my Savior and Lord. I confess that my sin has separated me from You. Forgive me and cleanse me from sin. I ask You to live through me each day as I humble myself before You. Amen.