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Opener: What is your favorite Bible story that you can retell from memory?

Read the passage.

1. Why do you think John Mark left them to go back to his home?

2. Why did Paul and Barnabas begin their mission in the synagogue (v. 14)? What is the significance or strategy involved with starting there?

3. From verses 17–23, list all the things Paul says God has done. Why was it important for Paul to begin his sermon this way?

4. Review how Paul explained the gospel (Read 13:28–39). What are the main components of the gospel and how would you share this in your own words? (Consider role playing this as a group.)

5. What feelings and emotions are created by this sermon in the various groups of people mentioned in verses 42–51? How do you explain such a varied response?

6. How did Paul and Barnabas respond to the Jews' reaction? Where else do we see this reaction in scripture?

7. What is the message and mission of Jesus? Do you think you can accept the message of Jesus without accepting the mission of Jesus?

8. How are you personally involved in the mission of Jesus right now? If not, where would you start?

9. Pastor Steve mentioned the importance of impact lists in his sermon. Why is this list important? Have you taken the time to create one? If not, will you commit to making one this week?

10. How can we as a group encourage and support each other in the mission of Jesus Christ?

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