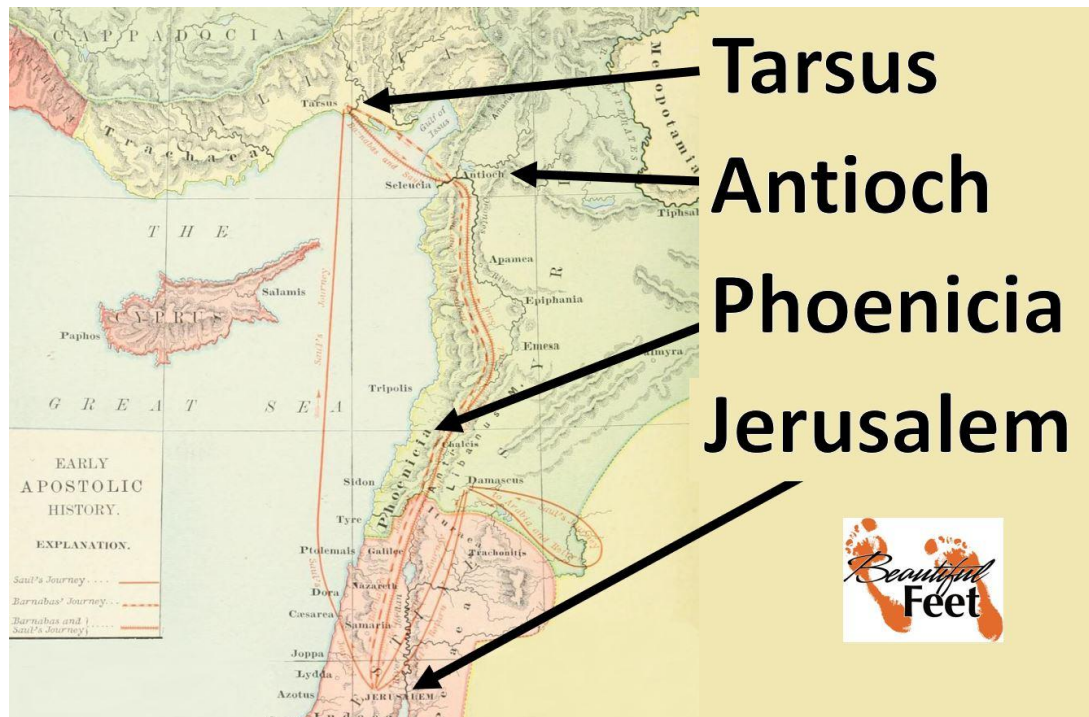


Acts 11:19-30 – 2026 Barnabas and Saul at Antioch; Relief to Judea!

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Last Week: [11:12-18] Then the Spirit told me to go with them, doubting nothing. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. [13] And he told us how he had seen an angel standing in his house, who said to him, 'Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon whose surname is Peter, [14] who will tell you words by which you and all your household will be saved.' [15] And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them, as upon us at the beginning. [16] Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, 'John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' [17] If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?' [18] When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."

ACTS 11:19-30: – The Church in Antioch – Sequence of Growth of the early church by the Holy Spirit



- *[19] Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only.*
- *[20] But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists (Greeks), preaching the Lord Jesus. [21] And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.*
- *[22] Then (about 7 years after church inception) news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. [23] When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and*

encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. [24] For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

- *[25] Then (about 10 years after church inception) Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. [26] And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.*
- *[27] And in these days prophets came from Jerusalem to Antioch. [28] Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar.*
- *[29] Then (about 12 years after church inception) the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. [30] This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.*

SUMMARY:

- **We have God's divine plan being unfolded here in such a beautiful way to bring salvation to the Gentiles in such a dramatic and visible way that it is known to everybody.**
- **God is working the whole thing together and each event is tied to something of the past.** It is interesting to be able to look back, and you can see how God was intertwining events and circumstances all the way along, so you can see how the whole thing is linked together. Thus, you see it here in the Book of Acts how that each event relates to another. And how that God uses a wide variety of ministries, speaking about the Lord. Preaching the Lord. Exhorting, teaching, prophesying. A wide variety of ministries. But there is one body, one church, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God, who is above all, through all and overall (Eph 4:4-6).
- **It is wonderful to see how God works through the various ways in building up his body, the church.** And so here we have a part. And we are thrilled to have this part in the work of God's Holy Spirit, seeing the hand of God still at work. Each event being related to some event of the past. His hand at work, all the way.
- **What is my purpose? How am I doing? What am I to do until He takes me home?**

PRAY TODAY FOR: *(1Ti 2:1-4) Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, [2] for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. [3] For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, [4] who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.*

ALL THE WAY MY SAVIOR LEADS ME — F. Crosby/R. Lowry (2:02)

All the way my Savior leads me, What have I to ask beside? Can I doubt His tender mercy, Who through life has been my Guide? Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort, Here by faith in Him to dwell! For I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well; For I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me, Oh, the fullness of His love! Perfect rest to me is promised In my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed immortal, Wings its flight to realms of day This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way; This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way.