

THE OTHER SIDE OF EVANGELISM

Acts 14:19-28

Introduction:

A. Paul and Barnabas have been preaching

- 1) They have preached "glad tidings" 13:32
- 2) They have preached "the gospel" 14:7
- 3) They have preached "repentance" 14:15

B. Now we are going to study the other side of evangelism

- 1) We have heard a great deal about soul winning
- 2) These activities are also a part of evangelism

I. Persecution is a Part of Evangelism Vs. 19

A. Paul was stoned at Lystra Vs. 19

- 1) Jews tracked them down
- 2) They persuaded the people
- 3) "persuaded" = peitho = "to speak with winning words", "to win with words"
- 4) They "drew" him out of the city = suro = "To drag or trail along as a net, with the idea of force and sometimes violence"

B. Paul rose up at Lystra Vs. 20

- 1) "he rose up"
- 2) "and came into the city"
- 3) They left the next day for Derbe

C. Paul went to Derbe and preached Vs. 21

- 1) "preached the gospel to that city"
- 2) "and had taught many"

II. The "All Things" After Evangelism Vs. 21-28

A. They went back to them Vs. 21

- 1) "they returned again"
- 2) A necessary act

B. They confirmed them Vs. 22a

- 1) "confirmed" = episterizo = "to strengthen"
- 2) Infants need strength

C. They exhorted them Vs. 22b

- 1) parakaleo = "to encourage" The word is used of exhorting troops who are about to go into battle
- 2) "to continue in the faith", "much tribulation"

D. They ordained Elders Vs. 23

- 1) "ordain" = cheirotoneo = "to elect by show of hands", "to appoint"

E. They preached the word Vs. 24-25

- 1) They "passed through"
- 2) "they preached"

F. They rehearsed God's blessings Vs. 26-27

- 1) "recommended" = paradidomi = "to give ones, to entrust" They had been given over to God's grace.
- 2) They had fulfilled their work
- 3) They gathered the church = sunago
- 4) "rehearsed" = anaggello = "to report", "to carry back good news"
- 5) "opened" = anoigo = "to open"
- 6) "long-time" = diatribo = "to remain"

