

Acts 14

Paul and Barnabas, relying on the Lord, spread the gospel to Iconium, Lycaonia, Derbe, and Lystra where Paul healed a lame man and after being stoned, continued on; then returned to the Antioch home church.

Keys to Effective Ministry

1-7 Iconium

1. vs 1 Speak in a _____ where people can believe in Christ.
2. vs 2 Realize that some people will choose to _____. They will stir up and embitter people against you.
3. v 3 Don't give up. Speak boldly with _____ on the Lord.
4. v 3 Be excited, amazed that the LORD wants to speak through _____ lips. Offer your body and lips to Him. (See Romans 12:1-2)
5. v 4-7 _____ witnessing. Acts 1:8

8-19 Lystra

6. v 8-10 Look into people's _____ at you share your faith. Watch for signs of faith and respond accordingly.
7. v 11-15 Offer your body to Christ so your words and actions are a _____ of His power and Spirit; so you have the opportunity to explain to others about Christ in you. 1 Corinthians 2:4, Colossians 1:27
8. v 16-17 Respect people's free _____. God does.
9. v 18-19 Keep in mind that Christ said the servant is not above the master. Therefore, _____ will be misunderstood and hated by some unbelievers. Matthew 10:22, 24

20-28 Derbe - Antioch, Syria

10. v 20-28 _____ in the work to which Christ called you, strengthening souls, encouraging others in their faith, praying with fasting, commending others to the Lord, and praising God.

Take Aways

1. The Holy Spirit speaks through our lips and works through our hands. Offer yours to Jesus. 14:3
2. Acknowledge that hardships are a part of life. Grow closer to Jesus through them. 13:22
3. There is power and purpose in meeting with believers to pray, fast, and serve. Be an active part.

APPLY ACTS 14

What is the "golden nugget" you want to take away from today's study? How has the Lord spoken to you?
