

Seek All My Sheep



31. 38-41.)

What does the calling of Saul and Barnabas show about how Church members are called to God's service? (Acts 13:1–3)

 What experiences have helped you know that Church callings are inspired by the Spirit?

Saul (now known as Paul) and Barnabas preach the gospel to the Gentiles.

• When the rulers of the synagogue in Antioch invited Paul to speak in the Sabbath service what was his main message? (Acts 13:14-15, 23–

(Acts 13–14)

- How did the Gentiles in Antioch respond to the missionaries and their message? (Acts 13:42–44, 48.)
- Why did some of the Jews persecute Paul and Barnabas? (Acts 13:45–47.)
- How did the people in Lystra react when Paul healed the crippled man? (Acts 14:8–13)
- How did Paul and Barnabas respond to this praise and attention? (Acts 14:14–18.)
- How have you seen this attitude demonstrated by today's Church leaders?
- What attitudes did Paul and Barnabas find in each city visited? (Acts 13:43–45, 50; 14:1–6, 19).
- How successful were they in their labors?
- Why did Paul and Barnabas return to each of the cities even though they had been persecuted there? (Acts 14:21–23)
- What can we do to support new members of our ward or branch?

The Apostles determine that Gentiles do not need to keep the law of Moses. (Acts 15:1–35.)

- What dispute did Paul and Barnabas go to Jerusalem to resolve? (Acts 15:1–2; also Bible Dictionary, "Circumcision," 646.)
- · How was the dispute resolved?
- How do the events described in Acts 15:6–31 demonstrate the pattern by which decisions about Church policy and practices are made?

"God Is No Respecter of Persons"

Acts 10-14; 15:1-35

Peter learns in a vision that the gospel should be preached to the Gentiles. (Acts 10:1–11:18)

- What kind of man was Cornelius? (Acts 10:1–2, 30–31)
- What was the angel's message to Cornelius? (Acts 10:3–6.)
- How did Cornelius react to this message? (Acts 10:7–8, 33.)
- Why is it important to act immediately on instructions or promptings from God?
- While Cornelius's men were traveling to Joppa, Peter had a vision (Acts 10:9–16). What did Peter see in this vision? (Acts 10:11–12.)
- What was Peter told to do? (Acts 10:13.)
- Why did Peter resist? (Acts 10:14.)
- How did the Lord respond to Peter's concern? (Acts 10:15–16.)
- As he met with Cornelius, Peter understood his dream. What did it mean? (Acts 10:28. 34–35)
- Why were the Gentiles represented in the dream by unclean animals?
- After Peter explained his dream, he began teaching Cornelius and his friends. What did he teach in his first sermon to them? (Acts 10:36–43.)
- What happened as Peter was preaching? (Acts 10:44, 46.)
- Why did this convince Peter that Cornelius and his friends should be baptized? (Acts 10:47–48; also Acts 11:15–17.)
- How did some Church members react when they heard that Peter had been teaching the gospel to Gentiles? (Acts 11:1–3.)

- Why were these members upset?
- How did the Church members' opinions change after Peter told them about his vision and his experience with Cornelius? (Acts 11:4–18.)
- What should we do when we receive new instructions from our Church leaders, even if we initially dislike the instructions or find them difficult to understand? (John 7:17; 2 Nephi 28:30; D&C 6:11, 14–15.)
- Why was Peter the one who received the revelation to teach the gospel to the Gentiles? (He was the leader of the Church at that time.)
- Who receives revelation today for the entire Church?
- Why is it important to have only one person who receives revelation for the entire Church? (D&C 43:2– 6.)

Peter is miraculously freed from prison. (Acts 12.)

- King Herod killed the Apostle James, then cast Peter into prison and placed him under heavy guard (Acts 12:1–4). How did members of the Church respond to Peter's imprisonment? (Acts 12:5.)
- How can our prayers help the prophet and other Church leaders today? (D&C 43:12; 93:51; 107:22.)
- How did Peter escape from prison? (Acts 12:6–10.)
- At what other times has the Lord miraculously preserved someone's life until that person completed his or her earthly mission?
- What happened to King Herod after Peter's escape? (Acts 12:21–23.) Compare what happened to Herod with what happened to the Church, as described in the next verse (Acts 12:24).
- How have you seen the Church flourish despite the efforts of some people to destroy it?