

Note: The church at Antioch identifies and names two new roles in the community, beyond apostles and deacons: *prophets* and *teachers*. Barnabas and Saul are among those so named. During prayer, the Holy Spirit creates another role, that of *missionary*. The two missionaries, plus John Mark, leave the mainland and sail to Cyprus. They visit each of the synagogues from one end of the island to the other, walking covers about 110 miles.

1. How did the disciples decide to make the island of Cyprus their first mission? (Acts 13:4)
2. In Paphos, the Roman proconsul was interested in hearing about the faith.
 - a. Who tried to intervene when the missionaries approached the proconsul? (Acts 13:6-8)
 - b. How did Saul respond? (Acts 13:9-11)
 - c. What astonished the proconsul? (Acts 13:12)
3. Sergius Paulus was the Roman governor of Cyprus and the first Gentile ruler in Acts to become a believer. What were two reasons he came to believe in the Lord? (Acts 13:7-12)
4. As was the custom in foreign synagogues, when visitors came, they were often invited to address the assembly. Paul gives us his first recorded missionary address in Antioch of Pisidia. Who are the two groups of people Paul speaks to? (Acts 13:16)
5. In his address in the synagogue, Paul presented a brief history of God's relationship with the Jews up to the time of John the Baptist. (Acts 13:17-26) How did Paul use the scriptures to show that Jesus was the promised Savior?
 - a. Isaiah 53:7-10
 - b. Psalm 2:7
 - c. Acts 13:38-39
6. Describe each of the three ways Paul expressed the "good news" that Jesus brought. (Acts 13:32)
 - a. As "salvation" (Acts 13:26)
 - b. Christ as divine (Acts 13:33-34)
 - c. Forgiveness of sins (Acts 13:38-39)
7. What is a sign that the converts to Judaism in Antioch (Pisidia) were more receptive to Paul's speech than Jews by birth? (Acts 13:43)
8. The next Sabbath creates a crisis.
 - a. Who are included in "almost the whole city" that came the next week to hear Paul? (Acts 13:44)
 - b. How did the Jewish leaders react? (Acts 13:45)
 - c. What revolutionary response did Paul and Barnabas give to them? (Acts 13:46)
9. How did the Gentiles respond to the Lord's command that they also be included in his mission? (Acts 13:47-49)
10. Who in Antioch most objected to the Christian message and why? (Acts 13:45, 50)