



Worship Guide for **May 12, 2019**

Sermon Notes

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The Church That “Gets It” Acts 13: 1-12 (pew Bible pg. 921)

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The church in Antioch is beginning to get it. They are the first church to, as a whole, understand that God’s heart is to reach the ends of the earth with the good news of Jesus Christ. They ‘get it’ because they are a diverse congregation led by a diverse, Spirit-filled leadership team. They ‘get it’ because they are serious about worshipping/serving God and seeking his will. They ‘get it’ because they are following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. They ‘get it’ because they are willing to go out on mission knowing their obedience comes at a cost. They ‘get it’ because they know that in spite of opposition, in the end, Jesus wins! (as we saw last week) Here are some characteristics of a church that “gets it’.

The Leadership:
Different kinds of men were called and gifted by God to shepherd this diverse church.

The Church:
A church focused on worship and prayer has a heart and vision to participate in God’s mission.

The Mission:
Missions is a joint effort - the Spirit directs while the church affirms trains and sends

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Weekly Discipleship Guide

Use this guide to help you reflect upon and internalize today's passage and message! Using a journal or a notebook, follow the daily prompts below. We also use these guides to guide our discussions in our Life Groups each week as we seek to grow together in the Word!

Sunday

In your journal, reflect on today's sermon by answering the following:

I never knew:

I was challenged:

I was reminded:

I was convicted:

A question I still have:

A truth I could share:

Know

Monday

Spend some time today doing the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Select a portion of this week's sermon passage to memorize this week.

Write your selected portion and read it to yourself at least 10 times throughout the day and meditate on that portion this week.

Know > Be

Tuesday

In your journal, spend some time writing about the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Write a prayer of response, specifically guided by the passage.

(May include adoration, confession/repentance, thanksgiving, petition, etc...)

Continue to meditate on a memorize the selection you chose from yesterday.

Be

Wednesday

Think about this week's questions for group discussion:

The mission of this early church was fueled by worship/service and prayer/fasting. How can we trace a lack of intentional mission in our own lives back to a deficiency in these areas?

What does this week's passage and message teach you about the nature of evangelism?

What does this passage teach you about opposition to the gospel?

Be > Do

Thursday

In your journal, spend some time considering the following:

What insights have you gained while internalizing this week's passage?

How specifically will you seek to apply its truths in your home/workplace/life in general?

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