Potential Discussion Questions

Message 2019-11-17, Courage to Follow, Grace to Stand, pt 3 (Ac 13:13-52)

- 1. Where do you struggle most with perseverance? What are some things you've persevered through? Was it worth it? What are your best tools to keep you persevering when you need to?
- 2. Look up some other passages on perseverance. What do they teach us about its benefits and how we learn to persevere?
- 3. Luke seems to cycle the narrative between those who are responsive and those who reject. What is the most surprising part of this to you? Why do you think the opposition became so strong?
- 4. We see how the gods and worldview of those in Lystra impacted how they received the message and miracles from Paul and Barnabas. What worldview or belief issues do you think pose the greatest challenge for sharing the gospel in 21st Century America?
- 5. Reread verses 21-23. What stands out to you here?
- 6. Where do you need the greatest spiritual strengthening and encouragement? How do you find it most often brought to you? How do you provide this for others?
- 7. What results when we fail to *commend people to the grace of the Lord*? What are some specific ways you can do this? What do you need to avoid?
- 8. Talk through the final principles. What stands out to you? How can each one help you in living out your faith?
- 9. What would you like to discuss that hasn't been covered?
- 10. What one thing from this study would you like to share with someone else this week?