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Worship Service
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A Church Compelled: Taking the Gospel to the World

Lesson Three • Acts 13:1-4

Compelled by Church-Centered Mobilization

Church-Centered Missions in a Nutshell – Book of Acts

WHAT?

- Plant Churches
- Establish Churches
- Multiply Churches

HOW?

- Evangelism
- Discipleship
- Missions

SO WHAT?

- Numerical Growth of God's People
- Spiritual Growth of God's Word
- Geographical Growth of God's Churches

Church-Centered Missions Begins and Ends with Local Churches!



Church-Centered Missions Requires Church-Centered **MOBILIZATION**.

Compelled by Church-Centered Mobilization

1. Mobilized by Biblical **LEADERS**.

"Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul." (13:1)

- **COMPLEMENTARITY**: Male leadership with vital female partnership as seen throughout the book of Acts and NT Epistles.
- **INTEGRITY**: Qualified by Christlike character. (11:24; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9)
- **PLURALITY**: Team of qualified male leaders. (14:23)
- **DIVERSITY**: Culturally, socially, personally, practically in gifting and roles.

Leadership *reflects* the church which *reflects* the **COMMUNITY**.

Leadership *reflects* the **UNITY** of the Body of Christ.

"The church's integration demonstrated by the diversity of its membership the full unity of all people within the body of Christ." – James Montgomery Boice

2. Mobilized Through Congregational **WORSHIP**.

"Missions exists because worship doesn't!" – John Piper

Worship is the *fuel and goal of missions* as seen in the church Antioch!

How Is Missions Like Worship?

- God-**GLORIFYING**: *Spreading the fame of God's name!*
- Christ-**EXALTING**: *Sharing the good news about Jesus Christ!*
- Spirit-**EMPOWERED**: *Submitting to the Holy Spirit!*
- Self-**DENYING**: *Surrendering is the heart of worship and missions!*

3. Mobilized by Spiritual **SYNERGY**.

The Synergy of Church-Centered Mobilization

- The Spirit leads and the church **FOLLOWS**. (vv. 2a-3b)
- The Spirit calls and the church **CONFIRMS**. (vv. 2b-3a)
- The Spirit sends and the church **SUPPORTS**. (vv. 3-4b)

When it comes to church-centered mobilization:
We are either *goers* or *senders* or *disobeyers*!

By God's grace the Lord can enable us to be a church compelled by church-centered mobilization!

World Outreach Celebration Schedule | October 21–25, 2026

Wednesday Evening – Sunday Evening

