



Sermon Discussion Guide

Preaching Passage: Acts 13:1-12

Sermon Series: Foundations

Sermon Title: Our Values – Multiplying Witness

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Preacher: Bart Box

Multiplying Witness: *Because God deserves the praises of all peoples, the treasure of the gospel must be heralded, not hoarded. So, we desire to be part of God's mission to the world by encouraging and planting biblically faithful churches and by sending and supporting Spirit-called missionaries, whatever that demands or costs.*

Discussion Questions:

**If you have already discussed the sermon on Faithful Evangelism before this evening, be sure to make time to circle back to review your memory verses at some point this night. We suggest breaking into smaller groups of 2-4 and reviewing. Feel free to save this for the end of the discussion.

- 1) [Q] Of all the six points made in the sermon (and of the subpoints that helped to explain them), which was the newest insight to you?
 - a. [Q] Moreover, of those points, which one do you think is most pertinent to our church right now (for individuals, for Growth Groups, and for the congregation as a whole)?
- 2) Throughout the sermon, there were many things taught about the role of the church. Overall, [Q] what was something that you learned about the role and place of the church from the sermon?
- 3) Read and reflect on the John Stott quote about the village church with a village god.
 - a. [Q] Have you ever struggled with Bart's point about loving our church (which is a good thing) more than we actually love Christ (which would obviously be bad)?
 - i. (Keep in mind that this may draw more discussion from people who have been at CFC for a longer period of time.)
- 4) Bart pointed out that the sending strategy in Acts 13 came about during a time of worship. [Q] What does this say about the importance of corporate worship as we think about mission? Likewise, [Q] does it speak to the importance of your personal worship of the Lord in connection with discerning how/where/to whom he might be calling you to go with the gospel?

- 5) One of the sermon points was that sending is costly. Bart fleshed that out in one way by suggesting that we will have to sacrifice things that we really want for what the world really needs.
 - a. [Q] What would be hard for you to sacrifice at CFC for gospel multiplication?
 - b. In other words, [Q] on what things are your hands closed to multiplication?

Final Question:

- 6) (*On this last question, there are a number of ways you can do it. One way would simply be to ask this as a final question among the whole group. Another might be to have people discuss it in smaller groups, even in conjunction with reviewing last week's memory verses.)

These past two sermons (Faithful Evangelism and Multiplying Witness) have been directing our gaze outward to the gospel needs around us. As you have been thinking about these truths and how they are to work their way into your life, [Q] have any specific gospel ambitions been impressed upon your heart?

- a. In particular, have you had any specific gospel ambitions for your family?
- b. For your workplace?
- c. For your neighborhood?
- d. For your classmates?
- e. For your group of friends?
- f. For the needy around you?
- g. For the unreached in the world?
- h. If you don't have any, ask that God would give you some.

Share these with one another, and pray for them. And make a point to revisit these ambitions with one another in the future.