

Another Look at Missions

Acts 13:1-12

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Introduction: the major changes beginning in Acts 13

- Paul replaces Peter as the focus

- Antioch replaces Jerusalem as the focus, 11:19-30

- Gentiles replace the Jews as the focus

I. "...there were certain prophets and teachers" v. 1

- A. The function of each
 1. Prophets - Ephesians 2:20
 2. Teachers - Ephesians 4:11-12

- B. The specific men
 1. Barnabas - Acts 4, 11
 2. Simeon called Niger
 3. Lucias of Cyrene
 4. Manaen
 5. Saul

II. "As they ministered to the Lord and fasted..." v. 2

- A. Ministry is to the Lord - Colossians 3:23

- B. Fasting
 1. Matthew 6:16-18, 9:14-15
 2. The example of Jesus
 3. The example of the elders - Acts 14:23

III. "... they sent them away." v. 3

- A. They were already involved in ministry at home

- B. They were from a strong church