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## The first Missionary Journey of Barnabas and Saul:

Antioch to Salamis: Preaching the Word

Salamis to Paphos: A Jewish Sorcerer?!?!

Paphos to Perga: Abandoned by John Mark

Perga to Antioch (Asia Minor): Converts and Mobs

Antioch (Asia Minor) to <u>Iconium</u>: <u>More</u> converts and more mobs.

Iconium to <u>Lystra</u> and <u>Derbe</u>: Successful <u>preaching</u> and an unsuccessful <u>stoning</u>.

Back through the cities of Asia Minor and the to Antioch (Samaria)

## The Leaders of Antioch:

- 1. An Unlikely Fellowship
  - A. <u>Differences</u> in their <u>lives</u> before <u>Jesus</u>.

<u>Barnabas</u> is <u>building up</u> the church at the same time <u>Saul</u> is <u>crushing</u> it with <u>arrests</u> and <u>violence</u>.

B. <u>Differences</u> in their <u>backgrounds</u>.

**Application:** People of <u>different</u> backgrounds that should not <u>relate well</u> are <u>unified</u> in the <u>reality</u> that they have been <u>redeemed</u> by Christ.

- 2. They were <u>committed</u> to <u>seeking</u> out the <u>voice</u> of the Lord.
  - A. They worshipped together.
  - B. They <u>fasted</u> together.

Fasting is not:

- 1. A diet plan.
- 2. A way to manipulate God.
- 3. A way to develop self-discipline.

Fasting is an intentional <u>act</u> of setting aside <u>food</u> to <u>focus</u> on <u>God</u>.

<u>Application:</u> We need to <u>seek</u> out and <u>listen</u> to God's leading today.