### Sunday – May 19, 2024



## "God's Unstoppable Purpose" Acts 13:1-3

"The best defense is a strong offense." This is philosophy that is used in the military, business, sports, politics and even in some people's personal lives. For many, especially in our faith we see our defense is one of retreat and hunker down. What would happen if we took God's encouragement to move forward in his unstoppable purpose in and for the world?

# KEY VERSE: "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." (Acts 13:2)

Read through all of *Acts 13*. This is a long chapter documenting the call, work and mission of Barnabas and Saul.

Sketch out the sequence of events that occur.

Barnabas and Saul's call comes in a time of worship, prayer and fasting in the church's life.

How often do I set apart time to be in serious communion with God? What does that look like for me?

### I AM CALLED BY GOD......

To \_\_\_\_\_ wherever God \_\_\_\_\_ me. Read *Acts 13:1-3* again.

A missionary is "one who has been sent. Read *Luke 9:2.* Where has called me to go to be his messenger? How have I been received?

To \_\_\_\_\_\_ whatever God \_\_\_\_\_\_ Read Acts 13:13-15

GOD HAS GIVEN ME\_\_\_\_\_. Read John 17:17,18 and Romans 10:12-15.

What is the truth that God has made me a custodian?

Reading *Romans 10*. How do I see the sequences of events Paul lays out in how I am living my life?

To \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ whomever I can. Read Acts 14:21,22. God encourages me by his grace so I can \_\_\_\_\_\_ others

What recent "God encounter" in my life could I share that could be an encouragement to someone else?

#### This week

- > Am I living in the reality and power of God's call on my life?
- ➤ Have I responded to Jesus' call on my life?
- Who have I written off as unreachable?
- Will I pray, "Here I am, send me" and then follow to wherever God leads me?