Acts – Birth of the Church The First Mission Wraps-Up

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Introduction:

- Luke 15:4-10
- Isaiah 55:8-11
- Acts 13:12
- Acts 13:49

1. <u>Iconium:</u>

- a. Acts 14:1-7
- b. Exodus 4:10-12
- c. Luke 12:11-12
- d. Greek <u>Plethos</u> ... English <u>Multitude</u> ... "A group of people large in size."
- e. Acts 14:2
- f. This problem exists today both in the church and outside the church.
- g. Greek <u>Apeitheo</u> (*Apeath-E-O*) ... English <u>Refused</u> ... "*To refuse to believe the Christian Message*."
- h. Many who call themselves Christians today, do not think that they need to adjust their life to the Word of God.
- i. Romans 1:18-32
- j. Acts 14:3
- k. 2nd Corinthians 12:12
- l. Matthew 10:32-39

2. Lystra and Derbe:

- a. Acts 14:8-10
- b. Acts 14:11-13
- c. **Zeus** Was the god of the sky and he was considered the chief Greek deity and protector of all the other gods and humans.
- d. **Hermes** He was the son of Zeus and the protector of heralds and many others things like thieves and so on.
- e. Acts 14:15-18



- f. To their defense They do not know the God of Heaven. So, all they can do is compare what they hear to the things they have been taught or experienced here on earth.
- g. From 2008 to 2022 ... The state of Kentucky alone has gone from 24% of the population claiming no religious affiliation at all ... to 33% ... that is an increase of 9% of this state's population who claim no religion at all.
- h. Acts 14:19-20

3. Going Home:

- a. Acts 14:21-22
- b. Acts 2:36-38
- c. Everyone must complete boot camp before they become an active part of the military.
- d. Romans 10:17

