



Vision for the Road Ahead

Care Group Discussion Questions:

1. In our message today on the Antioch Church (Acts 11; 13), we read (Acts 13:1-3) how that while the teachers and prophets in the church were worshipping, God called them to send out Barnabas and Saul for to which He had called them. How might this significant change have been potentially disruptive to the Antioch work?
2. How are God's concerns for his Church different at times than our concerns? What had Antioch likely done by way of teaching that helped them to manage this change well for the good of the Kingdom? How did faith fit in to this equation? What attitudes about this change would have helped them move in healthy ways into this next phase of God's work?
3. In what ways did this moment in the Antioch Church impact their future as a church, as well as the world at that time? What do you think about the statement: "God gives himself to the church that gives itself to the mission?"
4. What does this passage teach us about the stewardship of people and assets?
5. What are signs that a church may be in *survival* or *maintenance* mode rather than a Kingdom *expansion* mode? In what ways can each of us personally contribute to a Kingdom expansion mentality?