**The Spread of the Gospel – Acts 13**

Acts 12:24 – But the word of the Lord continued to grow and to be multiplied

Acts 13:26 – Brethren, sons of Abraham’s family, and those among you who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent

Acts 13:48 – 49 – when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many has had been appointed to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was being spread through the whole region

**The politician who tried to stop the gospel – Acts 12:1 -4**

1. God delivers Peter from prison to continue his ministry – 12: 4 – 17

Note – 12:17 – He left & went to another place

1. Herod killed for his pride & opposition to the gospel – 12: 20 -23

**The growth & multiplication of the preaching of the gospel – Acts 12:24**

1. The gospel is spoken about Jesus Christ’s death, burial & resurrection
2. The Word of God = the gospel
3. Acts 4:31 – the church was filled with boldness & spoke the word of God
4. Acts 6:7 – God’s word was spreading in Jerusalem & Judea
5. Acts 8:14 – Samaria received the word of God
6. Acts. 11:1 – Apostles & brethren heard that the Gentiles had received the word of God
7. Acts 13:5 – Barnabas & Saul preach the word of God
8. Acts 13:7 – The Proconsul of Salamis desire to hear the word of God
9. Act 13:46 – Saul & Barnabas speak the word of God first to the Jews
10. Acts 18:11 – Paul stayed a year and a half teaching the word of God
11. The Word of the Lord = the gospel
12. Acts 8:25 – Barnabas was testifying & speaking the word of the Lord to the villages in Samaria
13. Acts 12:24 – The word of the Lord continued to grow & to be multiplied across the Gentile world
14. Acts 13:44 – The whole town assembled to hear the word of the Lord
15. Acts 13:48 – The Gentiles hear and glorified the word of the Lord
16. Acts 13:49 – The word of the Lord was being spread throughout the entire region
17. Acts 15: 35 – Paul & Barnabas teach & preach the word of the Lord in Antioch
18. Acts 16:32 - Paul spoke the word of the Lord to the Philippian jailor & his household
19. Acts 19:10 – Paul taught in Ephesus and all Asia heard the word of the Lord

**The Jewish false prophet - magician who tried to stop the Gospel – 13: 5 -12**

1. A Jewish false prophet opposed the preaching of the word of God & was trying to turn away the government official from the gospel – 13: 8
2. God struck the man with blindness because he opposes the word of God – 13:11
3. The government official believed – 13:12

**Paul preaches of the word of God; the gospel to the Jews & God – fearer’s – Acts 13: 16 – 41**

1. God chose Israel & delivered them from Egypt – 13:17
2. God was patient with Israel for 40 years in the wilderness – 13:18
3. God gave them the land of promise – from Egypt to giving of the land of promise approximately 450 years
4. God gave them judges & Samuel the prophet & Saul the king – 13: 20 -21
5. God raised up King David – a man after God’s heart, who would do the will of God – 13:22
6. From David’s off-spring according to God’s promise to David He brought Israel a Savior Jesus – 13:22
7. John the Baptist preached before the coming of Jesus the Savior a baptism of repentance to all Israel – 13:24
8. John the Baptist preached that he was not the Messiah & his unworthiness compared to Jesus the Savior – 13:25
9. God has sent out the word of this salvation in Jesus Christ to Israel – 13:26
10. The rulers in Jerusalem did not recognize Jesus the Savior, nor the prophecies though they were read weekly in the Synagogue – 13:27
11. The rulers put Jesus the Savior to death asking Pilate to execute Him – 13:28 – **His Death**
12. The rulers fulfilled all the prophecies concerning His death and Jesus the Savior was taken down from the cross & laid in a tomb – 13:29 – **His burial**
13. God raised Jesus the Savior from the dead – 13:30 -**His resurrection**
14. He appeared to those who were His followers from Galilee to Jerusalem for many days who are eye – witnesses to the people – 13:31 – **His appearances**
15. We preach the good news of the promise made to the father’s, God has raised up Jesus the Savior – Psalm 2 - You are my Son, today I have begotten you – 13:32 -33
16. God raised Jesus the Savior from the dead, no more to decay in death , based on the promises to David , Isa. 55:3 & Psalm 16:10 – 13:34 -35
17. David died & decayed but He whom God raised did not undergo decay – 13:36 – 37
18. **Therefore, let it be known to you, that through Him the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you – 13:38 (Acts 2:38, 10:43)**
19. **Therefore, let it be known to you that through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things from which you could not be freed from the Law of Moses – 13:39**
20. **Therefore, take heed that you not be a scoffer & unbeliever – 13:40 -41 (Hab. 1:5)**

**Summary of the gospel**

1. God’s promised David that salvation would come from his family
2. The gospel - the good news that salvation is in Jesus Christ
3. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior was crucified
4. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior died & was buried
5. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior is alive raised from the dead forever
6. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior was seen alive by those who followed Him
7. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior forgives sin
8. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior frees us from the power of sin
9. The gospel – the good news is that Jesus the Savior frees us from the condemnation of the Law

**The Jews reject the gospel – Paul goes to the Gentiles – Acts 13: 48 – 52**

Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly & said, it was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, since you repudiate it and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold we are turning to the Gentiles, for God commanded us, I have placed you as a light to the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the end of the earth – 13: 46 -47 (Isa. 49:6)