

“M3- Man, Moment & Movement”
The Birth and Spread of the Church: ACTS
“Be Willing to Go Where No Man Has Gone Before”
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Text: Acts 13-14

The central idea pulsating throughout this pair of chapters is that it’s time to leave the four walls. It’s time to head out from the “friendly confines.”

“...after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and SENT THEM OFF” (Acts 13:2-3)

- Where?
- How?
- With What?
- Why?
- For How Long?
- To Who?
- But What About....?

Overview (the BLIMP view) – one word: TRAVEL

You begin to see a “pattern” developed here, a strategy...

Go to the C_____

Go to the S_____ first BUT...

Go and Carry out all ministry as a T_____

Needed information and important facts (the STADIUM view)

Three (3) items:

1. OUR GOSPEL MESSAGE DOESN’T C_____.
2. OUR AUDIENCE D_____...*KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE.*
3. SOME WILL LOVE YOU...OTHERS W_____ N_____.

LIFE Execution (the FIELD view)

- THIS IS NOT OUR HOME
- A SENDING CHURCH IS A H_____ CHURCH AND...
- STAY T_____ TO THE GOSPEL MESSAGE (i.e. – don’t water it down)

You and I are being called to “Go!” We’re being ***sent off***–

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**“BE WILLING TO GO WHERE NO MAN
HAS GONE BEFORE”**

Some years ago a famous radio entertainer delivered his version of Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address. His presentation was so different that he was deluged with mail after he delivered the address. You see, the entertainer did some research and found that when Lincoln delivered that address, he put an emphasis upon one word in that dedication. We always say: “The government *of* the people, *by* the people, and *for* the people should not perish from the earth.” The entertainer discovered that when Lincoln delivered his speech he said, “The government of the *people*, by the *people*, and for the *people* should not perish from the earth.” Lincoln emphasized not a preposition, but the *people*. He was moved by the people. That is the emphasis that ought to be in our work and in our ministry. Our work concerns **people**. It concerns

human souls (WA Criswell).