

GROUPS

sermon guide

RIOTS & REVIVALS - 10/19/2025 MIKE WILSON

MAIN IDEA

PLACE YOUR PEACE IN HIS PROVIDENCE

TALK ABOUT IT

- **ICEBREAKER:** Share a time something unexpected happened — do you think it was chance or God's providence?
- How does it make you feel knowing that what seemed like chance was actually part of God's plan?
- What does this passage teach us about God's role in directing His people?
- What does it mean that Saul and Barnabas were “sent out by the Holy Spirit”? How is that different from just going on your own?
- How does Saul's transformation (from persecutor to preacher) show God's providence at work?
- How did Barnabas's encouragement and trust in Saul influence the early church's acceptance of him?
- How does Paul respond to Elymas the sorcerer? What does this show us about spiritual authority?
- What encouragement do you find in the proconsul's belief despite resistance?
- How does this moment reveal that God's providence works even in the face of deception and distraction?
- Have you ever experienced God calling you into something unexpected? How did you respond?
- Can you recall a time in your life when something painful or chaotic eventually led to growth or purpose?
- Who is someone that has walked alongside you in ministry or faith, like John Mark?
- What kind of preparation (spiritually or practically) do you think was necessary for Barnabas and Saul?
- How can we remain sensitive to the Holy Spirit's guidance in today's world?
- What keeps us from trusting God to send and sustain us in new callings or difficult seasons?
- How does knowing God is sovereign over both good and bad seasons help you place your peace in His providence?
- How can we discern when opposition is an opportunity for God to display His power?
- Where do you need to trust God's providence right now in your life?
- Are you allowing fear, uncertainty, or “chance” to rob you of peace?
- How can you posture your heart (like the Antioch church) to better hear and follow the Holy Spirit?

KEY SCRIPTURES

ACTS 13:1-12

NEXT STEPS

- **ENCOUNTER:**
 - Join us at one of our Sunday services: 8:30am, 10am & 11:30am
 - Spanish translation available during our 10am service
- **EXPERIENCE**
 - **Life Groups Highlight** - Chelan WA, Wednesdays at 6pm
 - For more information text/call at 509 433-7402
- **EXPAND**
 - Light the Night - October 31st - [Sign up to serve HERE](#)



GOING DEEPER

- **Reflection:** Where in your life right now do you feel uncertainty, and how might God be working behind the scenes?
- **Journal:** What does “placing your peace in His providence” practically look like in your daily life? Are there any habits, thoughts, or patterns that make this difficult for you?
- **Application:** Identify one area where you're struggling to trust God's timing or direction. This week, take one small step of obedience or surrender in that area.