

## Questions for further study

July 14<sup>th</sup> '19

1. It was great to have a baptism on Sunday morning.

- i) If you were asked to explain to someone who wasn't yet a Christian about the significance of baptism, what would you include?
- ii) What Bible passages would you turn to, if you were talking to someone who'd become a Christian and wanted to know if baptism was the next step for them?
- iii) What promises to God are implicit in getting baptized? Why is it important to be reminded of this?

2. Read Acts 11:19-26

Check out on a map where these Christians travelled to.

- i) What prompted them to go to these places (Acts 8:1-4)?
- ii) How does Luke describe the focus of their preaching (Acts 8:5, 35; Acts 9:20; Acts 17:18; 1 Corinthians 1:23-24)?
- iii) How does Paul describe his ministry at Corinth (1 Corinthians 3:6-11)? What is our responsibility? Who gives the increase? What encouragement do you draw from this?
- iv) Read Romans 10:13-17. What challenge do you draw from this? How does God work in our sharing the gospel? What should be the focus of our sharing?
- v) Read v22-24 again. How did the church in Jerusalem respond when they heard about the believers in Antioch? Why would Barnabas have been a good choice (Acts 4:36,37 & Acts 11:20)? What was Barnabas' response to the conversion of these Gentiles? How is this an appropriate response (Luke 15:7, 10, 32)?
- vi) What evidence did Barnabas that caused his heart to rejoice? See also Acts 13:43 & Acts 20:32. Describe grace. Why is grace so important in the Christian life? How should we respond to God's grace in others? What happens when we do not grow in grace?
- vii) How is Barnabas described in verse 24? How can we grow in these qualities?

Pray for each other

This is the link to the reading from Genesis 1 from the crew of Apollo 8 on Christmas Eve 1968

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