

# The Only Way

## Acts 13:13-43

What makes someone a good/better/best \_\_\_\_\_?

### The Early Church

Jewish people: “\_\_\_\_\_” to God

Gentile people (not Jews): “\_\_\_\_\_” from God

Gospel: \_\_\_\_\_ need salvation through the \_\_\_\_\_ work of Christ

Expectation by the “\_\_\_\_\_” people:

### Acts 13:13-43

13: \_\_\_\_\_ & companions to Perga; John Mark leaves

\_\_\_\_\_ is now the leader

14-15: In Antioch: invited to \_\_\_\_\_ in the synagogue

\_\_\_\_\_ : mixture of “near” and “far” people

Typical service: \_\_\_\_\_ (Deuteronomy 6:4-5), prayer, Scripture reading, sermon, benediction

16-22: Judaism: God patiently worked for His \_\_\_\_\_

God actively \_\_\_\_\_ in Jewish history for His purposes: chose, blessed, led, endured, overthrew, gave, removed, testified

Saul=“asked for”, replaced with God’s choice: David (a \_\_\_\_\_)

A man who followed God’s plan, including \_\_\_\_\_

23-25: Jesus: the \_\_\_\_\_ One, and the greatest one

John the Baptist required repentance even among the “\_\_\_\_\_”

John said: \_\_\_\_\_ is immensely greater!

26-31: Jesus: \_\_\_\_\_ by Jerusalemites, and \_\_\_\_\_ by God

This is the promised \_\_\_\_\_!

Jews’ rejection of Jesus fulfilled God’s \_\_\_\_\_

God \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus from the dead, as told by many first-hand witnesses

32-37: Jesus: the Promised good news (\_\_\_\_\_)

Jewish prophecy was fulfilled in \_\_\_\_\_

Especially through His \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus is greater than David (who died and \_\_\_\_\_)

38-39: Jesus: brought \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom from sin

\_\_\_\_\_ all, and \_\_\_\_\_ by all

What Moses (and \_\_\_\_\_ else) could not do

In Jesus, there is \_\_\_\_\_ from the power of sin

40-41: Warning: Believe, don’t \_\_\_\_\_ (mocking disbelief)

Some people see and hear, but don’t \_\_\_\_\_

Especially a problem among the “\_\_\_\_\_”

42-43: Many: Enthusiastic \_\_\_\_\_

Including among the ‘\_\_\_\_\_’ who will rebel and try to block the ‘far’

Paul urged them to continue in \_\_\_\_\_

### The Big Idea:

**God’s work with humanity**

**is to \_\_\_\_\_/forgive people**

**through Jesus’ historical death and resurrection**

**the \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s ongoing work**

**for everyone forever**

Luke 24:27; Mark 10:45; Colossians 1:19-20

### Application:

Rejoice in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ upon grace (salvation / forgiveness) through Christ

Seeing the Old Testament without reference to the saving work of Jesus is to miss its primary \_\_\_\_\_

Seeing \_\_\_\_\_ of life without reference to the saving work of

Jesus is to miss the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

We so quickly go back to thinking \_\_\_\_\_ (and \_\_\_\_\_) we have to be good enough, or capable enough, or work hard enough, or ...

Hebrews 10:14

Be profoundly humble before God & people

This Good News should profoundly change how I see...

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 John 1:8-10

\_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 5:44-45; 6:14-15; 7:1-2

Galatians 3:3

### A Good Christian

- Someone who keeps \_\_\_\_\_ upon the grace of Christ  
Galatians 3:3; 6:14
- Someone who keeps \_\_\_\_\_ more and more like Jesus, “full of grace and truth”

### Reflection

- Have you experienced the wonderful grace of Christ, being welcomed and loved by God entirely by His grace in Christ? If so, what was that like?
- In what ways are you tempted, “after beginning by means of the Spirit, to finish by means of the flesh and work”?
- In what ways are you tempted to judge others, separate from grace?
- What does it look like to “keep depending upon the grace of Christ” on a daily basis? What helps you do that?