Digging Deeper — Acts 13:42–52
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Day 1
Pray to God, confess your sins, and ask for His help. As you dig deeper into His Word this week, consider using a journal to write down the ideas and questions He has for you as you study. Read Acts 13:42–52. In verse 42, the people begged for them to continue preaching the next Sabbath. What does this say about the effectiveness of Pauls's preaching?

Day 2
Pray to God about what he wants you to learn as you study in His word digging deeper into the verses from Sunday's message. Again, read Acts 13:42–52. How many people turned up the next week to hear them preach again? What happened next?

Day 3
Pray to God as you learn from His Word today. Is there someone you need to reconnect with whom you haven't spoken to in a long time? Send them a text, give them a call, and ask them how they are doing and what you can do for them. Read Acts 13:42-52. Have you ever had something go so well for you, that envious people started arguing with you or giving you a hard time? Have you ever struggled with jealousy about someone else's success? How did you handle either of these situations?

Day 4
Find a quiet place to settle your body, mind, and spirit. Pray for God's help during this digging deeper study time. Write down what the Holy Spirit brings to your heart and mind. Write everything down in your journal for reflection and study. Read Acts 13:42–52. When the Jews slander and argue with Paul and Barnabas, what do Paul and Barnabas do next? See v46–47. How did the Gentiles respond?

Day 5
Pray for others in your life. Ask God how is He nudging you to come alongside them with kindness, compassion, and joy. Read Acts 13:42–52. Verse 49 is a good reminder of how God's word and the saving grace of Jesus will not be held back. What happened next? When Paul was being shot down by high society, what does he do? When our faith in Jesus is criticized by folks around our community, what example can we take away from this story about Paul and Barnabas? How are we supposed to feel?