Lesson 12: The Opened Door of Faith

First missionary journey (Acts 13-14)
• from Peter to Paul
• from Jewish to Gentile

Acts 13 highlights
• sent by the Holy Spirit
• opposition by Bar-Jesus or Elymas
• excellent sermon at Antioch

The Journey Continues – Acts 14
• The ministry in Iconium (14:1-7)
• The ministry in Lystra (14:8-20)
• The ministry in Derbe (14:21a)
• Re-visiting the disciples (14:21b-23)
• The return to Antioch (14:24-28)
Lessons from Acts 13 (review)

A spiritual warfare
• Origin: Son of devil
• Character: Enemy of all righteousness
• Method: Full of deceit and villainy
• Objective: Make crooked the straight paths of the Lord

A religious warfare
• Jewish opposition
• ZELOS (GR) – zeal, jealousy, envy
• Temporal not spiritual

Compare two beginnings: Joshua and Paul
• Divine mandate
• Promise of prosperity (Joshua 1:8)
• Promise of tribulation (Acts 9:15-16)
Acts 14

The ministry in Iconium (14:1-7)
  Great awakening of the Spirit
  Great awakening of the enemy

The ministry in Lystra (14:8-20)
  Great miracle
  Great deceit
  Great truth
  Great villainy
  Great miracle

The ministry in Derbe (14:21a)
  Great response

Re-visiting the disciples (14:21b-23)
  Great strength
  Great tribulation
  Great provision
  Great hope

The return to Antioch (14:24-28)
  Great grace