



“Advancing the Gospel” Part 3

Acts 14:11-28 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon

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Introduction – *The apostle Paul and Barnabas advance the Gospel deep into pagan Gentile territory, by S.H.A.R.ING the Good News, helping the people, answering their deepest longings, and challenging their cultural idols. Today we follow them as return to the cities they visited in order to equip new believers in Christ.*

I. They Strengthened Their Souls.

A. The soul is part of our spiritual nature, which includes our mind, will, emotions and spirit.

B. The soul’s strengthening begins with our mind.

C. The soul is strengthened or weakened by the things we tell ourselves.

D. Examples:

E. Paul and Barnabas strengthened the souls of believers by enriching them with the Word of God.

II. They Encouraged Them to Continue in the Faith.

A. The Greek word “continue” (emeno) can be translated several different ways.

1. “Remain”

2. “Abide”

3. “Continue.”

B. The truths of God’s Word strengthens our soul and helps us continue in the faith.

C. The Word of God needs to be part of every _____.

Conclusion.