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Text: Acts 13:4-12
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Big Idea:

Context is key!

Question #1 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

Question #2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Question #3

- a) What does it mean that God is sovereign?
- b) Why is it essential to believe that not only is God sovereign, but God is good and loving also?

Trusting God's sovereignty means you trust His...

Point 1: Divine _____ of You (vv. 4-7)

Question: God knows where He wants you. Will you submit to Him there?

Sermon Notes...

Question #4

- a) **Rd vv. 4-7:** Where are the places you see the sovereignty of God directing the missionaries?
- b) Why is trusting in God's placement of you essential if you are live faithfully on mission?

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Point 2: Divine _____ in You (vv. 8-11)

Question: God will empower you to preach His Word. Will you speak it boldly when opposed?

Sermon Notes...

Question #5

- a) **Rd. vv. 8-11:** How was the enemy working to oppose the missionaries?
- b) How did God empower Paul to deal with the opposition?
- c) Why is Paul's response to Elymas an act of love and compassion towards him?

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Point 3: Divine _____ through you (v. 12)

Question: The gospel triumphs and God fulfills His mission. Will you trust Him and declare it?

Question #7

- a) **Rd. v. 12:** How did the governor of Cyprus respond when he heard the gospel and saw its power?
- b) Share testimonies as a group of how you have seen God's power at work through you as you've shared the gospel with others. Be encouraged!

Prayer Application

Spend time as a group or in accountability praying out of **Acts 13:4-12...**

- a) ADORATION: Lord, I praise You that You are sovereign over...
- b) CONFESSION: Lord, I repent of my unbelief in your sovereignty when...
- c) THANKSGIVING: Lord, I thank you for Your love/goodness/sovereignty in...
- d) SUPPLICATION: Lord, I ask for Your power to share the gospel when...

Memory Verse:

*"... 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,'"
-Isaiah 46:10b*