Truth Momentum—Part 22 **July 18/19, 2015**

Acts 13:13-41

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

1) *13:14* The first-century synagogue was more than a house of worship; it was the hub of the Jewish community. If someone desired to make contact with the community, the synagogue was the natural place to start.

2) *13:16ff* Paul took his audience on a high-speed tour of ancient history in order to demonstrate God's faithfulness to His promises…promises that were fulfilled in Jesus.

3) *13:16* Paul addressed not only the Jews but also the Gentiles.

4) *13:22* A man after God's heart is not a perfect man. He is a man who sees his sin for what it is and repents of it.

5) *13:23-25* Any Old Testament student knew that the Messiah would come from David's line and that a prophet would announce His coming.

6) *13:24-25* John the Baptist was the last in the line of Old Testament prophets and the first to announce Jesus.

7) *13:26* Paul acknowledged there were two groups: sons of Abraham and those who fear God.

8) *13:27* If Jesus is the Messiah, why did the leaders fail to recognize Him? It was not because they had not heard the message of the promise, but because they did not understand the message.

9) *13:29* The removal of the body and placement in the tomb underlines the full reality of the death of the Christ.

10) *13:35-37* A dead Messiah fulfills nothing. But a resurrected Messiah who defeats the grave can do the same for us!

11) *13:39* Trying to keep the Law is a crushing burden that no one can bear (Matthew 23:2-4; Luke 11:46; Acts 15:10)

12) *13:39* How astonishing that the very sin of murdering the Messiah provided the path to forgiveness for that greatest sin.

13) The choice Paul left his audience with is the choice every person faces:
- Accepting the salvation offered in Jesus brings forgiveness of sin and eternal life with God in Heaven.
- Rejecting it brings judgment and eternal separation from God.

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