

## **Acts 11:19-30**

1. Observation and exposition
2. The take-away for us?

### **Observation and exposition**

1. Read **Acts 11:19-30**
2. Setting
  - a. Timeline
  - b. Antioch
    - i. Eastern edge of the Roman Empire (at this time)
    - ii. Approximate population of 500,000
    - iii. Very cosmopolitan population
    - iv. Third largest city in Roman Empire
    - v. Had a hippodrome that seated 80,000
    - vi. About 300 miles north of Jerusalem - and about a 15-day journey on foot
    - vii. About 86 miles from Tarsus
    - viii. Present-day Antakya in southern Turkey
3. Observation and exposition
  - a. Who were the Hellenists?
    - i. 6:1
    - ii. 9:29
    - iii. 11:20
  - b. Barnabas
    - i. 4:36-37
    - ii. 9:26-27
    - iii. "So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul..."
      1. Humility
      2. Wisdom
    - iv. "Son of encouragement"

### **The take-away for us**

## Resources

1. *The Acts of the Apostles*, F. F. Bruce, 1990
2. *The Book of the Acts*, F. F. Bruce, 1988
3. *The Acts of the Apostles*, David G. Peterson
4. *The Message of Acts*, John Stott
5. *The Acts of the Apostles*, Ben Witherington III
6. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antioch>