

## **Study Questions February 18 & 19**

### **Read Acts 11:1-18**

- According to Acts 11:1-2, what was the focus of the Jewish believers in Jerusalem to the news that Gentiles were believing the good news about Jesus?
- Does this surprise you?

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

- As Jerusalem was the epicenter of the church for the Jews, Antioch in Syria became such for the Gentile church. Looking at a map of the ancient world, what does this tell you about the spread of the gospel?
- According to 19:20-22, who was responsible for getting the gospel to Antioch?

### **Read Acts 4:36-37 and re-read 11:20**

- Why would the Jerusalem church send Barnabus to Antioch and not one of the apostles (as before in Samaria)? Why would Barnabus want to bring Saul to Antioch?
- What are some signs of being an authentic and healthy church as displayed by the believers in Antioch? Do we see the same resistance to different religious and cultural groups as we do in Jerusalem?