

# **The Promised King**

Acts 13.4-52

#### <u>Main Idea</u>

Jesus is the true King whose paths are straight, whose coming was promise & fulfilled, and whose reign can be enjoyed

### **Overview**

- The Straight Paths of the King
  - "Turn" (v 8) & "Making crooked" (v 10)
    - Turning away from Christ is walking crooked roads
    - Paths of Christ are straight
  - Walk the straight paths by looking to the Word of God
    - We were made for straight paths

## The King to Come

- o God is active in the world to bring about His King
- Christ is the answer to Old Testament Prophecy
- Christ's reign is eternal
- The King fulfilled
  - People sat weekly, heard the word and missed him who was right in front of them
  - o Christ was the promised King in the line of David
- The King Enjoyed
  - Christ came to free (justify) people from their sin
    - The Law cant offer it...we need grace
      - Believers appointed: (Saved by Grace)
  - Believers are filled with Joy & the Holy Spirit (v 48 & 52)

## <u>Overview</u>

Discussion starter: From politicians to movie stars, why is it everyone wants a good king to rescue them or to follow.

- 1. How does our world encourage us to turn away from Christ and live for another King by walking "crooked paths"?
- 2. Why are they "crooked?"

- 3. Discuss places in the 1T/Old Testament where we see a Messiah foretold. How does this inform the way we should read the all of the Scriptures?
- 4. Why would people miss this while sitting under word?
- 5. How could we do the same?
- 6. Discuss the ways Christ fulfills Scripture (particularly with David).
- 7. Why is Christ a King that can be enjoyed?
- 8. What is it that would cause the believers to be full of joy?
- 9. Where are you lacking joy in Christ the King?

Accountability Question: What's the King you are tempted to follow crooked paths to? (i.e. What is the functional leader that you follow instead of Christ?)