



BIBLE STUDY

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Acts 11:25-30

THE ACTIONS IN ANTIOCH: THE HELP

Barnabus Needs Help (25-26)

Barnabus Seeks Saul's Help (26)

25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:

NLT Matthew 9:36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

37He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few.

38So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."

26 and when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

The Nick Names (26)

The meaning of the name is a follower of Christ.

Before this name was given, they called themselves disciples,
brethren, believers, saints,

Their Jewish enemies, called them the Nazarenes the Galileans, or
The Way

It suggests at once to a Christian the name of our great Redeemer; the idea of our intimate relation to him; and the thought that we receive him as our chosen Leader, the source of our blessings, the author of our salvation, the fountain of our joys.

2. Church Needs Help (27-30)

27 And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch.

The Prophecy for Help (28)

28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar.

This famine that occurred, was a great famine in which many died for want of food.

The Giving to Help (29)

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa:

It does not imply that they were rich, but that they rendered such aid
as they could afford.

30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of
Barnabas and Saul.