



Macro to Micro Discipleship

Acts 14

Macro Discipleship - Discipleship on the big stage, bigger than life

Micro Discipleship - Discipleship on the personal stage, everyday Christian life

Paul and Barnabas are the featured Disciplers on the Macro stage of Acts 14.

1. As Disciplers, they used their Spiritual _____ and Spiritual _____ to minister to and serve others.
 - a. Vs 1,3,21,25 Evangelism
 - c. Vs 3 Signs and Wonders (Miracles)
 - d. Vs 10 Healing
 - e. Vs 22 Strengthening the Disciples, encouraging them (Preaching/Teaching)
 - f. Vs 23 Appointed Elders (Administration)
 - g. Spiritual Gifts are the _____ of our ministry, not our goal.
 - h. Spiritual Growths produce the _____ of many gifts within a single minister.
 - i. Acts 13:1 indicated that Paul and others had been disciplined by Barnabas.
 - ii. Galatians 1 tells us that Paul spent about 11 years in this discipleship.
2. As Disciplers, they _____ opposition,
 - a. Opposition to Christian living does not always follow _____ or make since.
 - b. vs 2 Jews who **refused to believe** stirred up the Gentiles ...
 - c. vs 5 There was a plot to **murder** them
 - d. vs 19 The **old enemies followed** them, stirring up old lies and accusations.dealing with it _____ each and every time.
 - a. vs 3 Paul and Barnabas spent **considerable time** speaking _____
 - b. vs 6 They _____ to Lystra and Derbe
 - c. vs 21 They came back _____ to continue the work they had begun

3. As Disciplers, they maintained an attitude of Humility.
 - a. vs 14-15 They did not _____ the titles or worship being offered
 - b. vs 27 They _____ to their sending church what had happened
 - c. vs 27 They _____ glory to God for their success

4. As Disciplers, they _____ hardship and setbacks,
 - a. Vs 5 Death threats and an actual plot
 - b. Vs 11-12,18 Their message and actions were misinterpreted
 - c. Vs 19 Paul was stoned and left for dead

but did _____ give up.

 - a. Vs 6,21 They **left and returned** later to continue the work
 - b. Vs 20 After being stoned by the people, Paul **got up and went back**

5. As Disciplers, they _____ of God's power
 - a. vs 3 They spoke boldly FOR the Lord, the Lord confirmed the message
 - b. vs 10 Paul called out (from a distance) for a healing
 - c. vs 20 Paul "got up"
 - d. vs 27 "HE had opened a door of faith"

As Micro Disciplers – we follow the same pattern, but on a different stage:

1. We need to _____ serving with both our gift(s) and our growths.
2. We must deal _____ with the opposition that we will inevitably attract.
3. We must remain _____, giving all the praise, glory, and credit to Christ.
4. We must face opposition and hardships with an attitude of _____.
5. We must rely of God to _____ the things and _____ the things which we cannot.

Application:

1. Not everyone is given a Macro sized assignment from God. But **everyone** is given a micro sized **opportunity** to make a _____ sized difference in the lives of others.
2. All ministry, all studies, and all service is at some level is the _____ of a Discipler. All you have to do is recognize the opportunities as they come.