

What Revival Looks Like  
How Revival Acts  
Acts 13:13-25

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17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.

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19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided their land to them by lot.

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23 Of this man's seed hath God according to *his* promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

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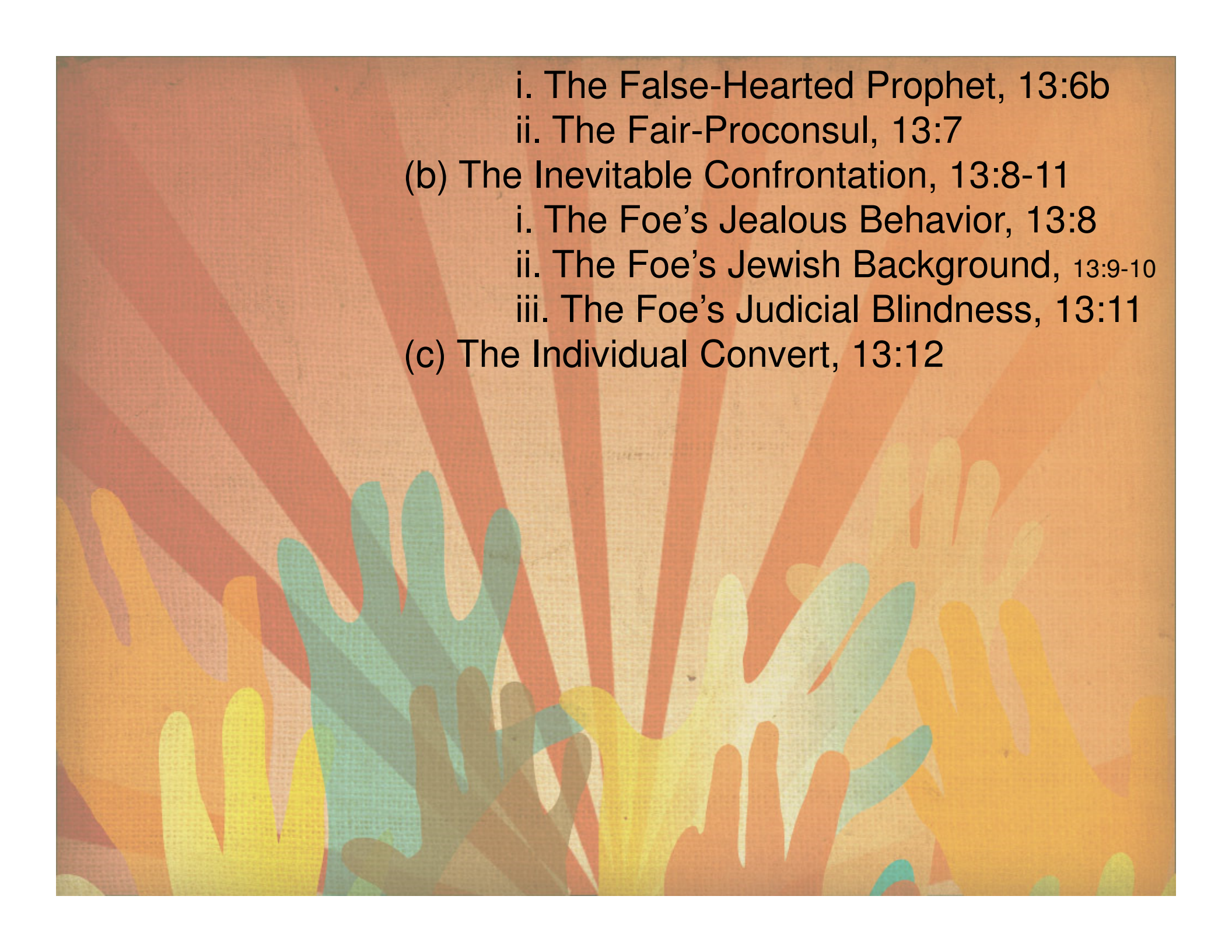
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# Tonight we continue looking at *Paul's First Missionary Journey*.



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## The mission to Asia Minor 13:13—14:21a

### b. Dealing with Difficulty, 13:13

(1) Difficult Places, 13:13a “Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia...”





(2) Difficult People, 13:13b "...and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.



2 Cor. 11:23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I *am* more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.

24 Of the Jews five times received I forty *stripes* save one.

25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

26 *In* journeyings often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, *in* perils by *mine own* countrymen, *in* perils by the heathen, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in* perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren;

27 In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.

28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.

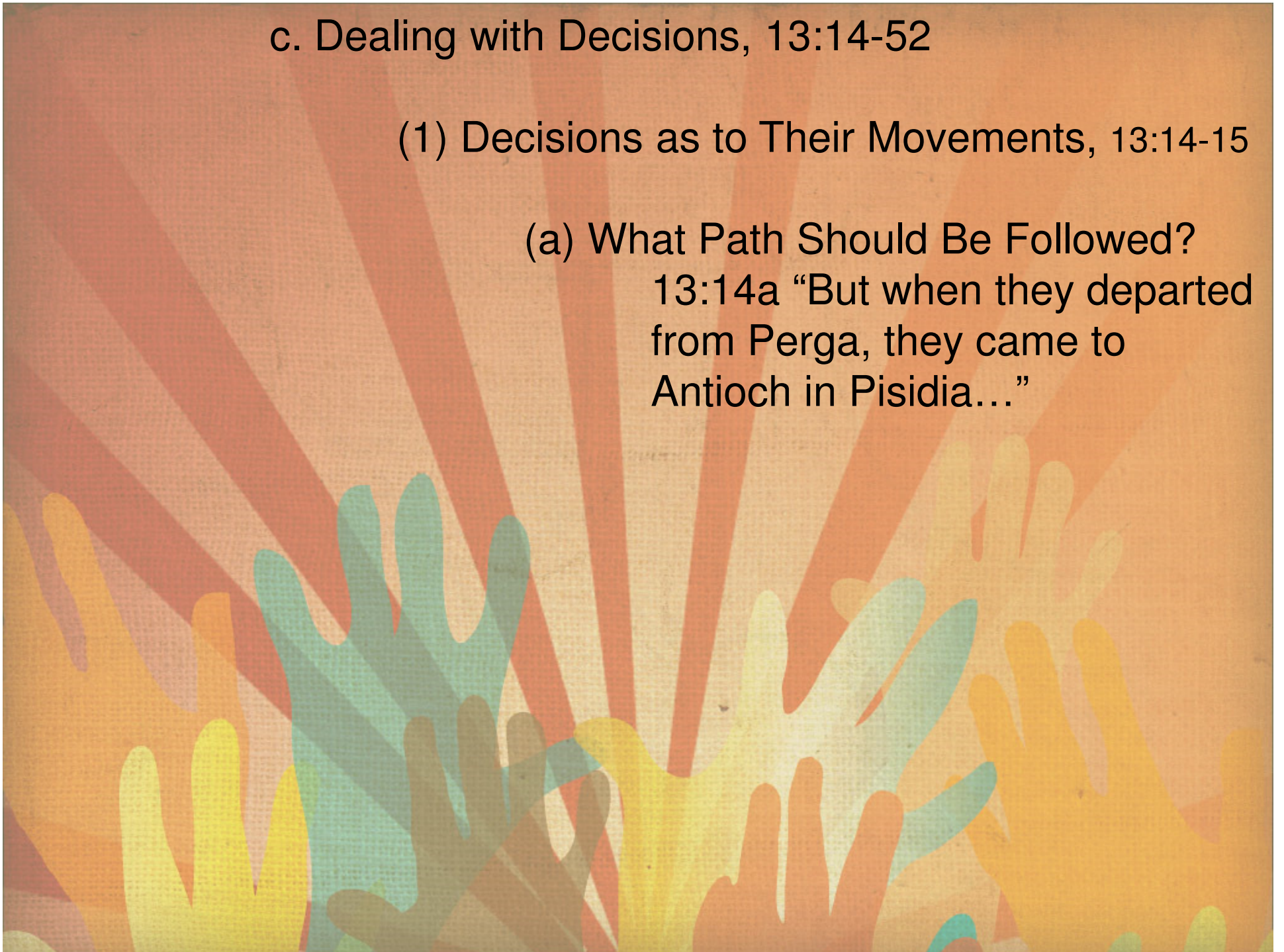
Acts 15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

## c. Dealing with Decisions, 13:14-52

### (1) Decisions as to Their Movements, 13:14-15

#### (a) What Path Should Be Followed?

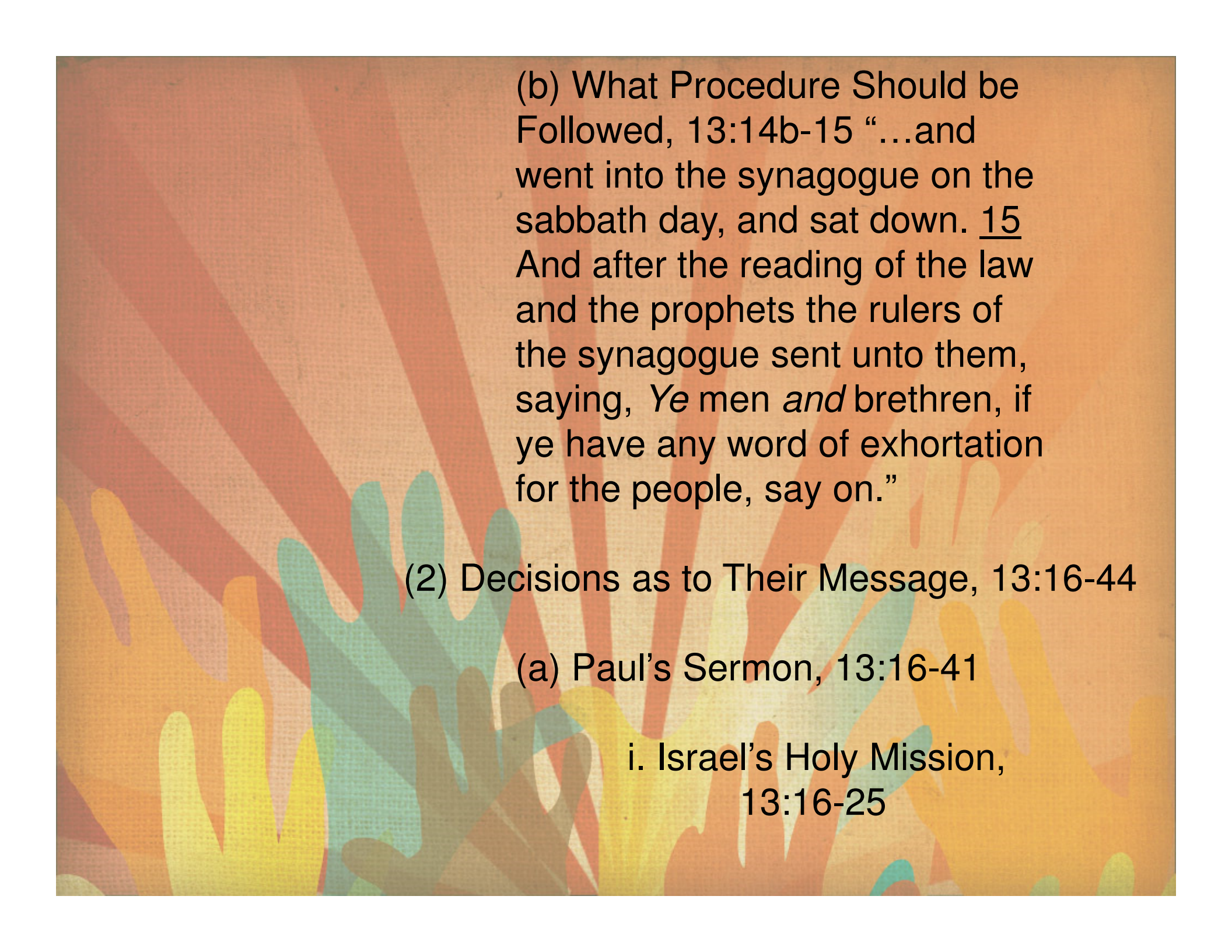
13:14a “But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia...”





Acts 13:13-25. Paul and Barnabas at Antioch in Pisidia

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(b) What Procedure Should be Followed, 13:14b-15 "...and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down. 15 And after the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, *Ye men and* brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on."

(2) Decisions as to Their Message, 13:16-44

(a) Paul's Sermon, 13:16-41

i. Israel's Holy Mission,  
13:16-25

- A Special People, 13:16-18

- God's Purposes, 13:16-17a "Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with *his* hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience. 17a The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt..."
- God's Protection, 13:17b "...and with an high arm brought he them out of it."
- God's Patience, 13:18

Acts 13:18 And about the time of forty years suffered he their manners in the wilderness.

Psa. 77:20 **Thou leddest thy people like a flock** by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Psa. 78:52 But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and **guided them in the wilderness like a flock.**

- A Special Place, 13:19-20
  - A Land Bestowed in Love, 13:19

Acts 13:19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided their land to them by lot.

- A Land Blighted by Lust, 13:20a “And after that he gave *unto them* judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years...”
- A Land Blessed at Last, 13:20b “...until Samuel the prophet.”

- A Special Prince, 13:21-22
  - The Premature Will of Man Overriding the Wise Will of God, 13:21

Acts 13:21 And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.

- The Predeterminate Will of God Overruling the Weak Will of Man, 13:22

Acts 13:22 And when **he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king**; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

## Summary

Paul highlighted five important points that the Jews often stressed in their confessions:

- (1) God was the God of the Israelites ("of this people Israel"; v. 17).
- (2) God "chose" the patriarchs ("our fathers"; v. 17).
- (3) God created the Israelite nation ("exalted the people"), redeemed His people out of Egypt, and patiently led them through the wilderness (vv. 17-18).
- (4) He then gave them Canaan ("distributed their [the Canaanites'] land") "as an inheritance" (v. 19).
- (5) Finally, God gave the Israelites faithful King David after a succession of lesser leaders (vv. 20-22). It was particularly David's heart for God, resulting in his carrying out God's will, that Paul stressed (v. 22). These qualities marked David's successor, Jesus Christ, too.

- A Special Promise, 13:23-25
  - The Promised Messiah, 13:23

Acts 13:23 Of this man's seed hath God according to *his* promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

- The Promised Messenger, 13:24-25
  - John's Great Work, 13:24

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- John's Great Witness, 13:25

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## Conclusion

Acts 20:24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, **so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus**, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

2 Tim. 4:7 I have fought a good fight, **I have finished my course**, I have kept the faith: