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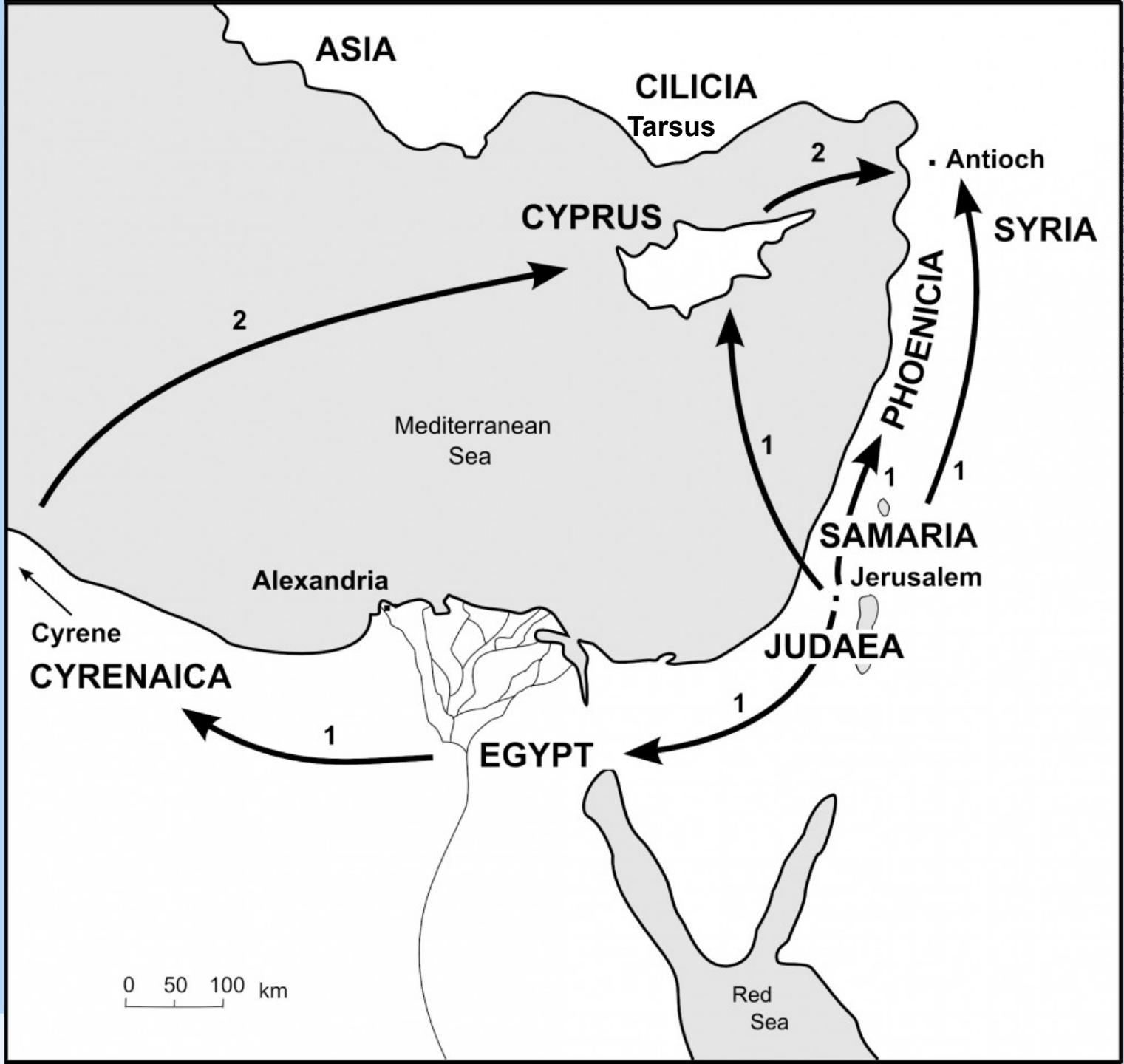
**HOLY  
SPIRIT**

**Acts 12:24- 13:1-12**

**The Gathered Church at Antioch  
Created by the Holy Spirit**

# Objectives of Series:

1. That we ***embrace***, welcome, the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the Trinity, the HS; that our fears of the HS would be replaced by our friendship with the HS.
2. That we ***become reliant*** upon the power of the HS so that our verbal witness of Jesus might be filled with the HS.
3. That we ***be re-invigorated*** by the HS so that we might be useful for the purposes of the HS, whatever that might be.







1. Only the Holy Spirit of Jesus could overcome all the “natural” barriers to unity at Antioch Church.

Natural barriers to relationships:

1. Generational – different “languages”
2. Ethnic – different cultural background or descent.
3. Violent history – Jew vs Gentile.
4. Socio-economic. Very rich vs poor.
5. Political affiliations. Lifelong friend of Herod.



2. The Antioch church was a “family,” united in the purposes of Jesus, with a heart to share the good news of Jesus.

Why did they do these things?

A. Gathered.

B. 5 teachers/prophets.

C. Prayed and fasted together.

D. Laid hands together.

E. Sent Saul and Barnabas out together.



3. In Acts 13:2, the Holy Spirit speaks in 1<sup>st</sup> person clarity. Obedience requires faith and action to accomplish his will.

Acts 13:2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the ***Holy Spirit said***, "Set apart ***for me*** Barnabas and Saul for the ***work*** to which ***I have called them***. ... So, being sent out by the HS, they went down to ...Cyprus.



# Next Steps.

1. Read and journal book of Acts.
2. Memorize these Scriptures:
  - Acts 2:38
  - Acts 3:19-20
  - Acts 5:32
3. Is there anything you can do to help you experience the unity and purpose of your church family?