

### 3. Jesus is the fulfillment of GOD'S PROMISES.

The life, death and resurrection of Jesus are HISTORICAL.

The life, death and resurrection of Jesus are CREDIBLE.

The life, death and resurrection of Jesus are MEANINGFUL.

### 4. Jesus is the answer to your GREATEST NEED.

What is our greatest need?

The Gospel is GOOD NEWS of salvation by GRACE ALONE.

The Gospel is a proclamation of FORGIVENESS.

The Gospel is an offer of ETERNAL LIFE.

The Gospel must be PERSONALLY BELIEVED.



## Jesus, God's Promised Savior

Acts 13:13-52

Sunday, June 11, 2017

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*Acts 13:13-52 tells the story of Paul's preaching the Gospel to Jews in the region of Galatia. Paul presents 4 compelling reasons to believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ...*

### 1. Jesus is the fulfillment of the BIBLE'S HISTORY.

What is this amazing book all about?

It's the story of God's GRACE climaxing in Jesus Christ.

### 2. Jesus is the fulfillment of your DEEPEST LONGINGS.

Israel longed for a SAVIOR KING. We do, too.

What else does your heart long for?



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**Most Growth Groups have come to the summer break. Growth Group questions are provided most weeks for GraceYouth, household and individual use and discussion.**

### **Grappling with God's Word Together (about 20 - 30 min.)**

1. How did you come under God's Word in the text/message this week? What struck you? How were you challenged/moved? What did you think/feel in response to this text/message?
2. Read Acts 13:13-51. Who, according to 13:26, is Paul sharing the Gospel with on this occasion? Paul speaks to the stories, longings and needs of his audience on this and every occasion. How and in what ways does he do this?
3. The Bible is an extraordinary book and unique among religious texts. Have you ever read the Koran or book of Mormon or other religious texts? How do they read differently than the Bible?
4. In Acts 13:16b-22, whose action is Paul highlighting as he retells Israel's history? What is he arguing is the thrust of the Bible's message? How is Jesus the fulfillment of this theme/message?

5. Israel longed for a Savior King. Why? What's the longing beneath that longing? What would a king do for them? Do we still long for a Savior King? What evidence supports your answer? What else do our hearts long for? Do you really believe Jesus is the fulfillment to your deepest longings? How do we internalize this?

6. When you look at Paul's 4 reasons to believe the Gospel, do you view that as a compelling argument? Which speaks to your heart today?

7. Paul presents a great model/framework for sharing the Gospel here. How can we learn and start to present the Gospel as the fulfillment of the Bible's history, our greatest longings, God's promises and our greatest need? Do you think you might share your own testimony using this framework?

### **Praying Together (about 20 min.)**

*Pray for the not-yet-Christians you know . . . 1) that the Lord might be at work to open their hearts to the Gospel and 2) that you might have an opportunity to share the Gospel using one of these 4 angles.*