

# KIDTOWN GUIDE

Preschool

**DATE:** 3/7/21

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 11

**LESSON:** Barnabas in Antioch

## INTRO



**Say** - News of what Jesus had done was spreading all of the world! People in many different countries began trusting and believing in Jesus! Let's hear about a man named Barnabas and how he shared the Good News.

**Choose this or that** - Give kids two options and invite them to move to one side of the room for one option and the other side for the other. Then bring everyone together and give another two options. Use the options below or create your own. (pizza or cheeseburgers, red or blue, swimming or climbing, summer or winter, soccer or baseball...ect)

**Say** - We divided into two different groups over and over then came together as one. The Bible talks about two groups of people: Jews and Gentiles. Because of Jesus, these two groups came together as one in the church. Listen to the story to

hear how the gospel spread to the Gentiles.



## LESSON - BARNABAS IN ANTIOCH

Watch the Gospel Project Bible video: [Barnabas in Antioch](#)

**Story Point #1:** (Kids repeat!)

**Peter and Barnabas shared the gospel with people, no matter who they were or where they came from!** (Kids Repeat!)

The Good News of Jesus was spreading everywhere! We learned that Peter shared with the Jews and the Gentiles. His disciples were so excited to share with everyone what Jesus had done and how much He loved them. The great thing about the Gospel, or Good News, is that it is for everyone. Anywhere they went - they could tell the people there about Jesus. Is the Good News of Jesus just for people who are perfect? No way! No matter where you come from, or who you are, Jesus loves YOU and wants YOU to trust in Him. Peter and Barnabas traveled all over the world to help people understand that Jesus cared about them and died to take away their sins. That person is Jesus!

**Christ Connection!** (Kids repeat!)

**God wants us to celebrate when others believe in Jesus!** (Kids repeat!)

When we talk about Jesus to our friends and family and they believe in Jesus, all of heaven celebrates! How do you think they celebrate? God is so pleased and filled with joy when we tell others about His Son Jesus. We should also celebrate and be excited when our friends and family believe! It's the greatest thing we can share with them!



## RESPONSE

**Sing:** [Rejoice Be Glad](#) (Key Passage Song)  
[Good Good Father](#)

**Pray:** Jesus, we celebrate what you did for us! Help us remember to tell everyone we know about your love. Then we can celebrate people coming to know You!

**Discuss:**

- Did Peter and Barnabas share the Gospel with perfect people? (No! They shared the Gospel with anyone, everywhere!)
- Where did they travel to share the Good News? (All over the world!)
- Is the Good News just for the Jews? (No, it is for everyone!)
  - *Allow time for questions and if you don't know the answers, that's okay. Affirm their question and let them know that you don't know but will try to find out.*
  - *If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at [hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com](mailto:hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com)*



## BONUS ACTIVITIES

**Coloring Sheet** - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#) of Barnabas

**Pass the Good News** - Form a line and have the children pass a Bible from child to child down the line. The last child can bring to back to the front of the line to start again. Next have children space out around the room. Give the Bible to one child to start and have them walk to another child to give them the Bible. Repeat until everyone has received the Bible.

**Say** - You passed God's Word to everyone as you traveled around the room! As believers moved to new cities, they told others the good news of Jesus. The gospel continued to spread! The Jewish believers in Jerusalem sent Barnabas to check on the Gentile believers in Antioch. He was glad to see their faith and sent the good news back to the Jewish believers. They praised God! God wants us to celebrate when others believe in Jesus.