

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why do you think Luke felt it was important to interject this information between when Saul and Barnabas left for Jerusalem in 11 and when they have completed their mission at the beginning of 13? What necessary context does this chapter give?
- 2. With how Herod Agrippa is described in this chapter, what can you discern about him and his character?
- 3. What must it have been like for the believing community to hear about the death of James—one of the four pillars of the Messianic community—and the imprisonment of Peter just before Passover celebrations had begun, when the city was flooded with visitors and excitement? Have you ever had to deal with grief while surrounded by the joy others express during the holidays?

