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Act 7

Expanding the New Community

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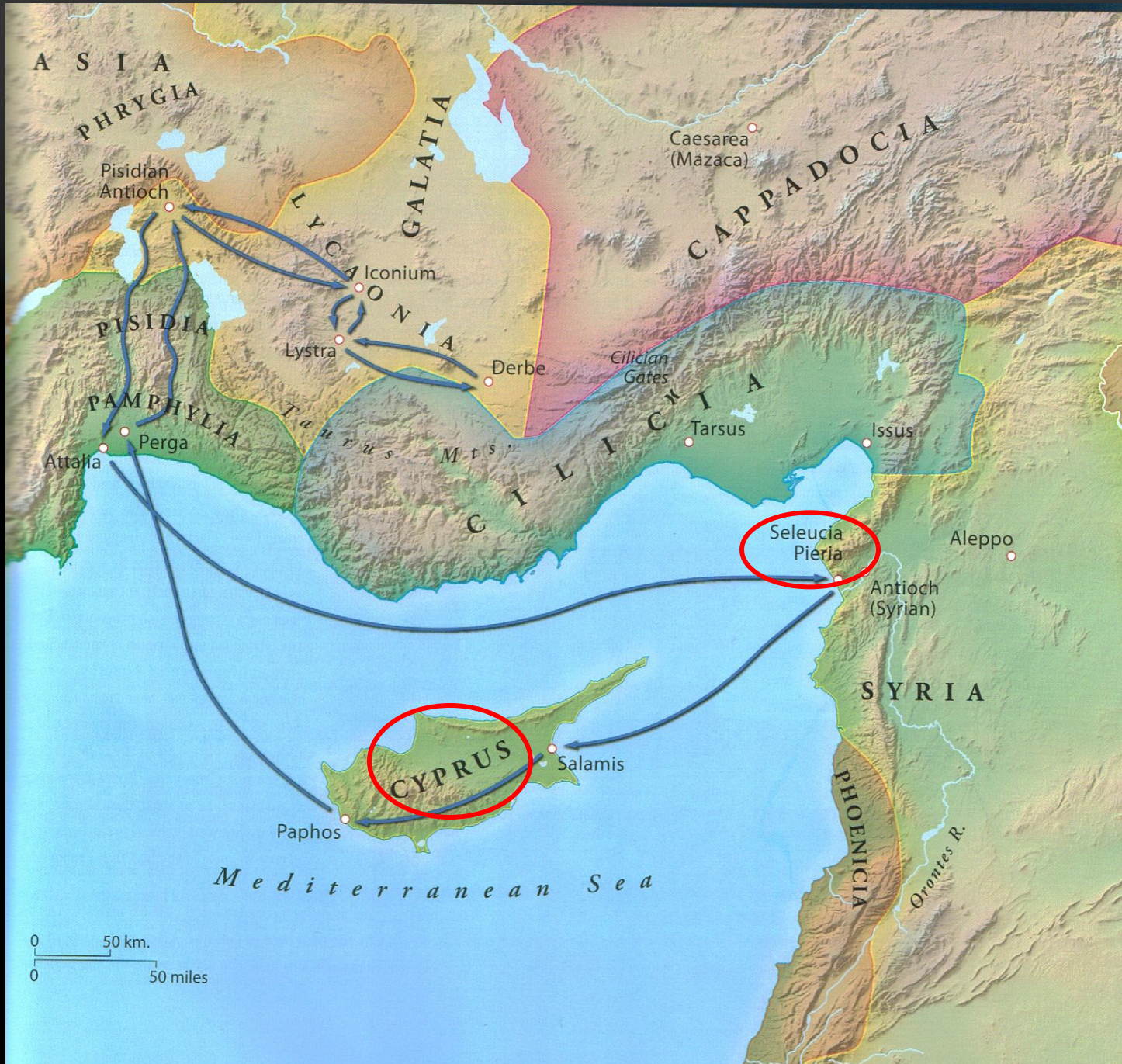
More expanded structure:

- I. An Introduction to Acts (1:1-14)
- II. The Word in Jerusalem (1:15-6:7)
- III. The Word goes out from Jerusalem (6:8-9:31)
- IV. The Word Advances in Judea & Syria (9:32-12:25)
- V. The Word goes to Cyprus & Asia Minor (13:1-16:5)
- VI. The Word goes to Europe (16:6-18:22)
- VII. The Word in Ephesus: Climax of Paul's Mission as free man
(18:23-20:38)
- VIII. Paul's Final Missionary Journey: To Jerusalem & Rome (21:1-
28:31)

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- Acts 13:1-5





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Acts 11:19a “So then those who were scattered because of the persecution that occurred in connection with Stephen made their way to Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch”

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Is. 49:6 He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

To gather a RENEWED ISRAEL to God before being light to the world

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- Acts 13:6-12



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- Acts 13:13





Perga

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- Acts 13:14-15



Pisidian Antioch



Temple of Augustus



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Typical Synagogue Service:

- a) *Reciting the Shema*
 - b) *Prayers of Benedictions with responses*
 - c) *Readings from the Torah*
 - d) *Readings from the Prophets*
 - e) *A sermon of sorts*
 - f) *Priestly blessing*
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- Acts 13:16-31



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Paul addresses two things:

1. *How given that Jesus was the true heir of David & rightful King & Messiah did the Leaders in Jerusalem miss Him?*
 2. *Why do they need forgiveness?*
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- Acts 13:32-52
 1. Psalm 16 – *An extraordinary promise = That this David King, even though He might die would not experience the normal decay of His body*
 2. Is. 55:3 - *Incredible promise = New life breaking out for the WHOLE WORLD because of what this Suffering Servant does (i.e. Messiah)*

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Closing thoughts:

1. *The weaving hand of God*

2. *Mysterious directing of God*
