First Baptist Church of Antioch (part 2)

Acts 11:27-30 & 13:1-4

- 1. The believers at Antioch were fervent in their commitment to the Gospel.
- 2. They lived in the power of God's grace.
- 3. They were hungry for God's Word.
- 4. They were wholehearted followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The believers in Antioch ministered together in harmony despite ...

- A. Ethnic diversity
- **B.** Racial diversity
- C. Social & economic diversity
- D. Diversity in religious background

Acts 10:34

"Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:"

Proverbs 11:14

"Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety."

Proverbs 15:22

"Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established."

- A. They were ready to listen to the Spirit.
- B. They weren't impulsive, but they were responsive.
- C. They understood that God directs in individual lives, but He confirms through other spiritually minded co-laborers.
- D. The church shared their burden and encouraged them to do the Lord's will.

- 5. The believers at Antioch were compassionate and generous.
- 6. They ministered together without partiality or prejudice.
- 7. They were responsive to the leading of the Holy Spirit.
- 8. They were "missions-minded."