



Paul and Barnabas: A Mission Sent from Antioch (Antakya)

Did you know Antakya, once called Antioch, played a vital role in the early Christian church? It was here that Paul and Barnabas were chosen and sent out on their first missionary journey.

In Acts 13:2-3, we read:

“While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, ‘Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.’ Then after fasting and praying, they laid their hands on them and sent them off.”

This city was a hub of faith and mission, spreading the Good News far and wide. Today, Antakya still carries the echoes of this profound history, reminding us of the courage and dedication of these early disciples.

Let us remember the lessons of Antioch: prayer, unity, and obedience to God’s call.