

**AS MANY AS HAD READINESS OF MIND TO HEAR AND BELIEVE, RECEIVED
ETERNAL LIFE**

Acts 13:32-52 The good news of Jesus is received by those willing to hear and believe.

At Pisidian Antioch some of the people had a readiness of mind to hear about Jesus (Acts 13:42,43).

But some of the Jews seeing the crowds listening to Paul were filled with jealousy and spoke abusively against Paul (Acts 13:45). Paul recognized the difference in the two distinct attitudes. Paul describes those who are stubbornly abusive as self determined to have no readiness of mind to believe in Jesus and receive eternal life (Acts 13:46). “Not worthy” means a personal unwillingness to consider the truth because of pride and jealousy of heart. In verse 48, “appointed” means a personal readiness of mind to hear, believe, and receive Jesus.

In Matthew 10:11-14, Jesus preached the same message as Paul. In verse 11, “worthy” people are those who have a readiness of mind to hear. A family with a readiness of mind to hear is deserving of peace. But whoever does not have a readiness of mind to hear your words of truth, depart out of that house.

In Acts 13:51, Paul and Barnabas followed the instructions of Jesus and shook off the dust from their feet against those who were stubborn and had no readiness of mind to hear the truth.