

Journey Church Hawaii  
"Continuing in Grace"  
Acts 13:13-52  
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- I. The "Standard" Presentation of the Gospel in the Book of Acts
  - A. A Review of Jewish History [Acts 13:17-22]
  - B. The Life of Christ [Acts 13:23-31]; an Emphasis on His Resurrection [Acts 13:30-34]
  - C. OT Texts that prove Jesus is the Messiah [Acts 13:32-37]
  - D. A call to hear the message, repent and believe [Acts 13:38-41]
- II. The Sure Mercies of David<sup>1</sup> [Acts 13:34]
  - A. Where our Salvation Lies [2 Corinthians 5:21]
    - 1. Jesus was one who was despised and rejected, just as David was in his own family. [Matthew 21:42]
    - 2. Jesus has fought our greatest enemy, and overthrown him [Hebrews 2:14]
    - 3. Jesus, despite His glorious triumphs, was severely persecuted [John 15:18-21]
    - 4. Jesus, thrice anointed as our Prophet, Priest and King [Hebrews 1:9]
  - B. What are the Sure Mercies of David? It starts with SALVATION in JESUS CHRIST!
    - 1. God dealt with Israel by way of mercy, and to make that mercy certain he took a man whom he had chosen, a man whom he loved, a man whom he intended to use, and he made with him a covenant that he would set him on the throne, that by his personal influence he might bring down blessings on all the people. These are "the sure mercies of David."
    - 2. God gives us "merciful" help through His Son Jesus Christ [Philippians 4:13]
    - 3. God's Supply of Mercy to us is Unlimited [Lamentations 3:22]
- III. Continuing in Grace [Acts 13:42-43; Romans 2:4; Hebrews 4:16; Ephesians 4:32]
  - A. "Mercy is God not punishing us as our sins deserve, and grace is God blessing us despite the fact that we do not deserve it. ... Grace is extending kindness to the unworthy."<sup>2</sup>
  - B. "Continuing in grace is as important as beginning in grace; we must never leave it as the basic principle of our relationship with God. Far too many only think of grace as the introduction to the Christian life, but God wants grace to remain as the foundation for our life with Him."<sup>3</sup>
  - C. "A Cycle of Contradiction" [Acts 13:21-23]

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<sup>1</sup> <https://answersingenesis.org/education/spurgeon-sermons/2366-sure-mercies-of-david/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.gotquestions.org/mercy-grace.html>

<sup>3</sup> [https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/guzik\\_david/StudyGuide\\_Act/Act\\_13.cfm](https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/guzik_david/StudyGuide_Act/Act_13.cfm)