

BEDTIME STORIES
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VOLUME 4
“THE STRATEGY BEHIND THE STORY”

Acts 12:25-14:28 - July 5, 2015

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The Strategy Behind the Story:

1. Specific _____². v. 2-3

The church that was gathered together was aware of those _____³ the church that needed Jesus.

The church was aware and active in trying to meet both the physical needs and _____⁴ needs of people that were hurting outside of their church.

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QUESTION: Are you aware of people far from God...do you _____⁶ them?

The church’s specific work would take them to _____⁷ towns to share Jesus.

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ADDITIONAL NOTES

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