

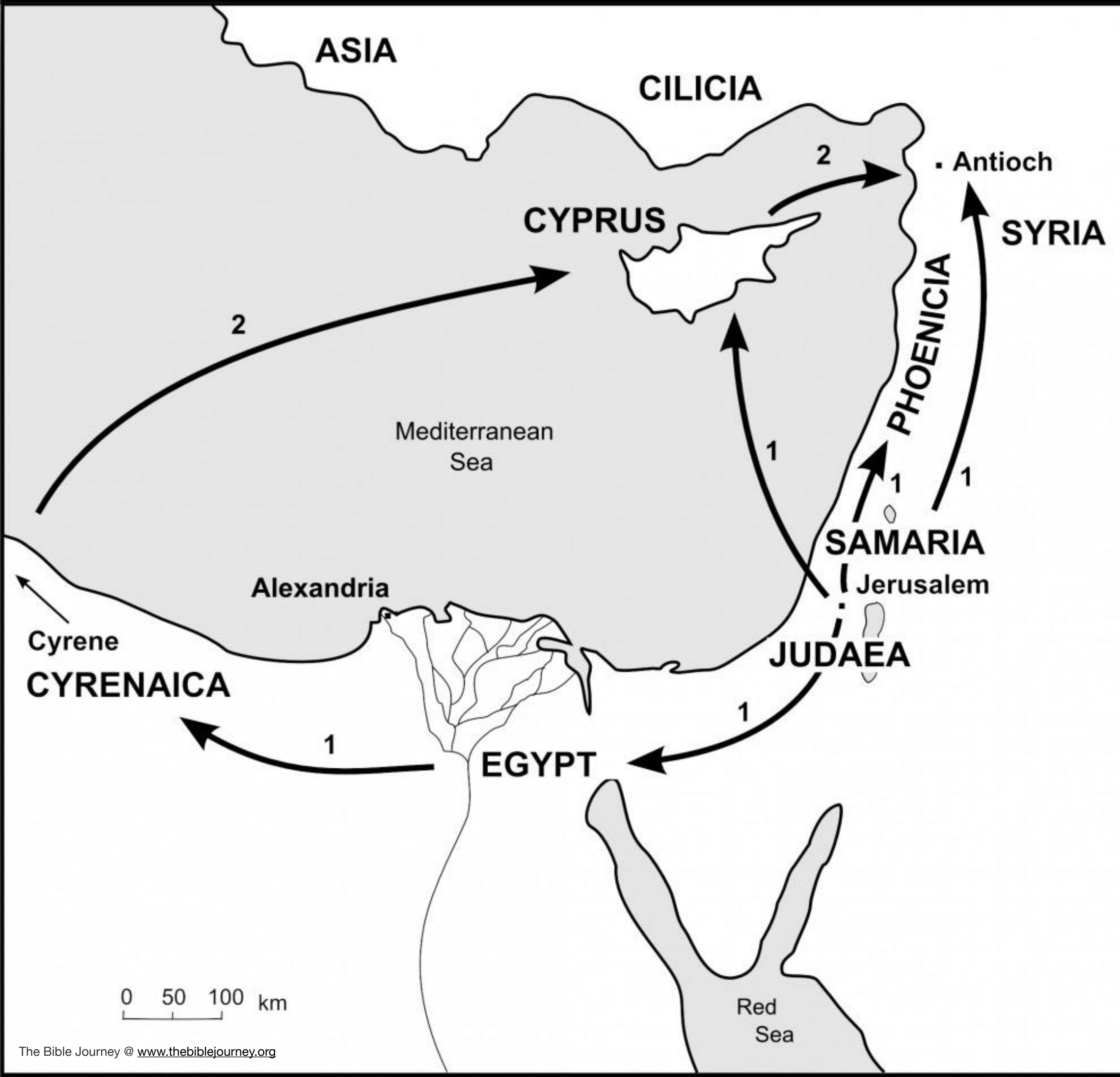


# Outward Church: Mission vs. Maintenance

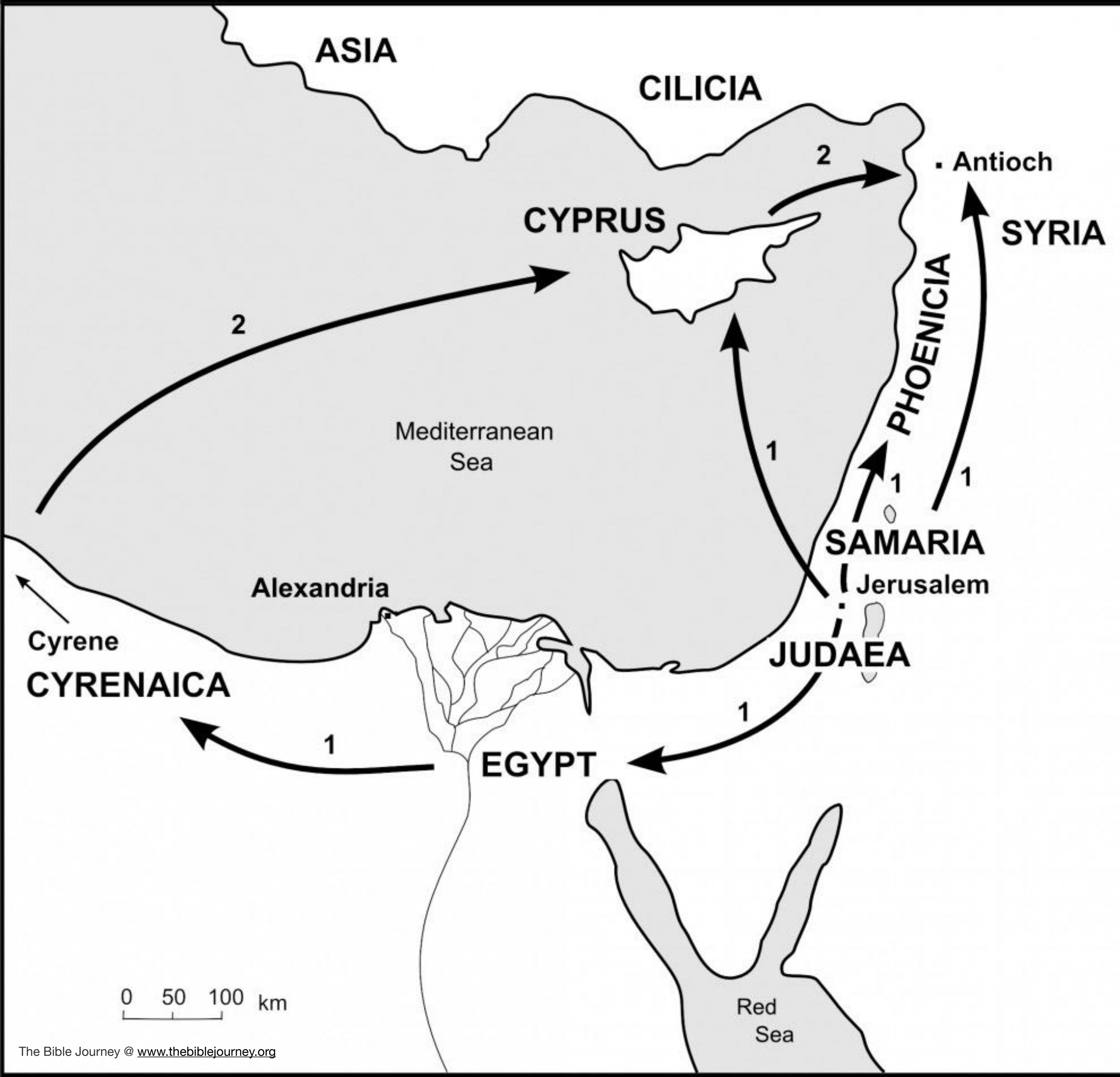
*Acts 11:19-30*



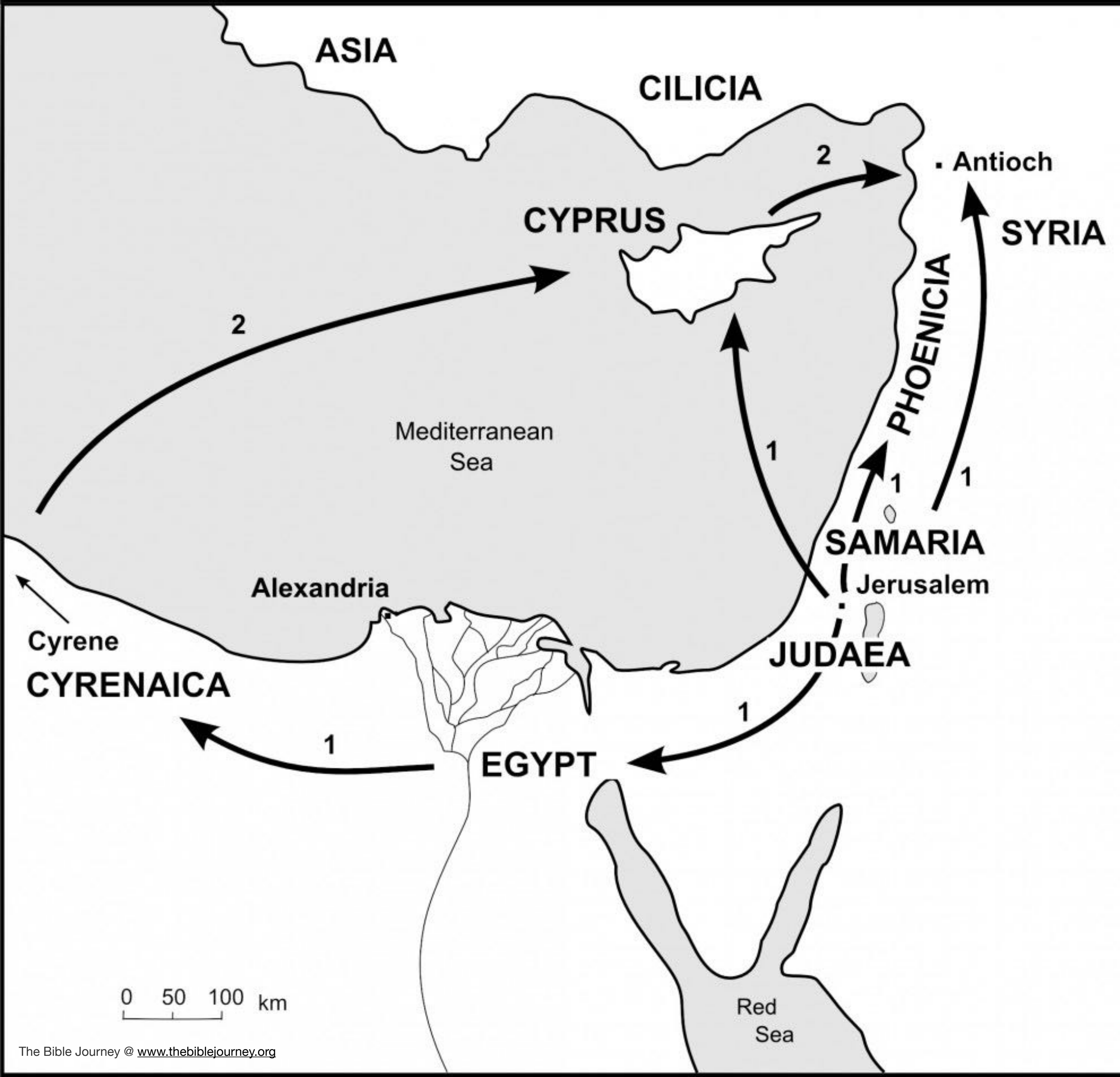
**How can we be on mission and not  
just in maintenance mode?**



**Acts 11:19-21** Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews. 20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. (ESV)



Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” (ESV)



**Acts 11:20-21** But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord. (ESV)



# Moving from maintenance to mission:

## 1. Spirit



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**Acts 11:22-24 (ESV)** The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose, 24 for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.



# Moving from maintenance to mission:

## 1. Spirit

**Acts 11:25 (ESV)** So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,





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# Moving from maintenance to mission:

**1. Spirit**

**2. Discipleship**



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**1. Spirit**

**2. Discipleship**

**Acts 11:26 (ESV)** ...and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.



# Moving from maintenance to mission:

**1. Spirit**

**2. Discipleship**

**3. Generosity**



# Moving from maintenance to mission:

## 3. Generosity

**Acts 11:27-30** (ESV) Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28 And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius). 29 So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. 30 And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Church	Maintenance	Mission
Concerns	Attendance Programs Preservation Traditions Members Activities	Equipping Sending Future Community Calling Giftedness
Change	Anxious	Embrace
Strategy	Church-based	Outside in community



*The Spirit, discipleship, and generosity  
move us from maintenance to mission.*