

"A Missions Mandate"

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Why should we, as followers and servants of Jesus Christ, be involved in world missions?

First, it is a matter of obedience. The commission issued by Jesus, to go into the entire world and preach the Gospel to every creature was NOT a suggestion. Singing worship choruses on Sunday morning will make precious little impact on the Throne if the worshiper has disobeyed the very Lord he or she professes to worship.

Second, the subject of missions is a matter of concern. Joel wrote, "Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision..." Do we care at all about that sorry state?

Thirdly, it is a matter of fairness. Why should anyone, you included, have the right to hear the Gospel twice when so many have never heard it even the first time?

Fourth, as Paul writes in Romans, missions is a matter of logic. "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?"

Fifth is that participation in missions is evidence that we believe in a heaven and hell. If we truly believe in a "heaven to be gained and hell to be shunned," how can we not give and go?

Number six; it is a matter of divine supply. Jesus said, "Go...and these things shall be added..." God will be no man's debtor, my friend.

These facts are so biblical, so simple, so understandable, yet there are many Christians and church leaders who act as if these facts do not even exist? Still though, they want and expect God's supernatural blessings!?