



6:30pm Bible Study: Pastor Chip Luter

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Living As An Everyday Missionary Part One: "The Mission and Our Mission Field"

Opening Discussion

- What comes to mind when you see the words "Mission" and "Missionary"?
- What about when you hear the words "Mission Trip"?

The Mission of God

- I. **Reach** (Luke 19:1-9)
- II. **Rescue** (Luke 19:10; John 3:16-17; 1 Timothy 1:15)
- III. **Redeem** (Colossians 1:13-14)
- IV. **Reconcile** (2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Romans 5:6-11)
- V. **Reproduce** (Matthew 28:19; 2 Timothy 2:2)

The Mission of The Enemy

- A. Distort and **Deceive** (Genesis 3:1-5)
- B. Damage and **Destroy** (John 10:10)
- C. Desire and **Devour** (1 Peter 5:8)

Our Response to the Mission of God

- 1.) We Must **Know** Christ (John 17:20-26)
- 2.) We Must **Embrace** His Mission (Isaiah 6:8)
- 3.) We Must **Prioritize** His Mission (Matthew 6:24; Luke 14:25-27, 33)

Big Idea

The mission of God must be our first priority every day and everywhere. If it's not our top priority, then it will end up being not a priority at all.

Personal Follow Up

- *Examine* - Are you absolutely certain that you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? If so, have you fully embraced His mission?
- *Reflect* - Consider what you do and where you go daily. Is the mission of God your top priority every day and everywhere?

Our Mission Field

Now we're going to talk about our mission field

- When you hear the words Mission Trip, you would immediately think of someplace to Go. That place is usually away from home.
- But Missions isn't just away, it's also at home.
- In Acts 1:8, Jesus gives the disciples a strategy to start at home and continue to spread the news farther away.
- But Jesus didn't expect 12 disciples to go all around the world, He expected disciples to make disciples who will spread the Gospel all around the world.
- Our mission field is where God has placed us, so today I'd like to give us a real picture of the challenges and opportunities of reaching lost people where we are.

Key Text: Romans 1:18-32

I. The Culture

- Spiritual **Blindness** (Prov. 4:19; 14:12; 1 Cor. 1:18-25, 2:14; Matt. 9:36)
 - Skepticism, Unaware
- Spiritual **Stubbornness** (Eze. 12:2; Rom. 10:16, 21; John 8:34-47)
 - Rebellion, secularism
- Spiritual **Wickedness** (2 Tim. 3:1-5; Col. 3:5-9)

II. Opportunities to Connect

- Colossians 4:3
- **Passions** - everyone is excited by something that brings them joy.
- **Hurts** - everyone gets hurt by someone or something.
- **Community** - everyone has the desire to belong and have a support system.
- **Conflicts** - everyone is looking for a resolution to some type of conflict within them or around them.
- **Service** - everyone has a need that is looking to be filled by someone or something.
- Find a need and fill it, Find a hurt and heal it, Find a chasm and Bridge it.

III. The Costs

- Our **Time** (Col. 4:5)
- Our **Lifestyle** (1 Pet. 2:11-12; 3:13-17)
- Our **Humility** (2 Tim. 2:23-26)
- Our **Speech** (Col. 4:6)
- Our **Comfort** (Col. 4:3; Luke 9:58; Jer. 1:5-8; Jos. 1:9)

Big Idea

Our mission field is around us everywhere God has us. We must prepare, expect, and engage in opportunities to bridge the gap between lost people and Jesus.

Personal Follow Up

- *Research* - Study the mission field the Lord has given you. Start where you live, work, and worship.
- *Record* - Make a list of the people who you know are connected to you, but not to God.
- *Pray* - Pray over the list and ask God to help you see opportunities to build a relationship.
- *Pursue* - Take a step this week to connect with one person that God is calling you to reach.