



HEBRON

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## MISSIONS 101

### WEEK 2

## THE GOAL IS THE GLORY OF GOD

**Missions 101 Verse:** Matthew 9:37, Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

What did we learn Last week? **The Goal is the glory of God**

- I. God is ultimate, not man.
- II. The greatness of God.
- III. God’s zeal for His own glory.
- IV. For the glory of His grace.
- V. Missions is not the goal of the church. Worship is.

### I. GOD’S MISSION

#### Psalm 67 -

Key Words:

Key Phrases:

Gods Heart:

#### John 3:16-17

*“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”*

#### So what is the mission of God?

Andreas Kostenberger- “That his salvation would reach the utter ends of the earth: that is, his gracious movement in his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to rescue a desperately needy world that is in rebellion against him and stands under his righteous judgment.”



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Jonathan Edwards- "The creation of the world seems to have been especially for this end, that the eternal Son of God might obtain a spouse towards whom he might fully exercise the infinite benevolence of his nature, and to whom he might, as it were, open and pour forth all that immense fountain of condescension, love, and grace that was in his heart, and that in this way God might be glorified."

J.H. Bavinck- "Missions is the great work of Jesus Christ, through which after his completed work as mediator, he draws all peoples to his salvation and makes them to partake of the gifts which he has obtained for them."

**Who is the greatest missionary?** Paul, Jim Elliot, C.T. Studd, John Patton...JESUS!

## II. ROLE OF THE LOCAL CHURCH

### Who received God's Missionary Commission?

The Assembled Church - **Luke 24:33-48**

God's chain of missionary sending -

God sends his Son - **John 3:17**

The Son sends the Holy Spirit- **Luke 24:49**

The Holy Spirit gathers and encourages the church- **Acts 9:31**

The healthy church sends her people -

**The church at Antioch**, Acts 13:2 - While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."

**Romans 10:14-15** - How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

## III. FINAL THOUGHTS...

**Proclaim the gospel.** Jesus charged the apostles with proclaiming the gospel to all nations (Matthew 28:18-20), and he established the church to carry out that task. Preaching the gospel is central to the church's mission (2 Timothy 2:15, 4:2).

**Preserve the gospel.** Paul calls the church a pillar and buttress of the truth (1 Timothy 3:15). The church is charged with the task of preserving the true gospel throughout the ages (1 Timothy 1:3-4; 2 Timothy 1:13; Titus 1:9). It does this through faithfully preaching the gospel, refuting false teaching, and maintaining doctrinal and moral purity among its members.



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**Display the gospel.** Paul says that through the church God makes known his wisdom to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places (Ephesians 3:10). Through the holy lives of its members and its unity-in-diversity (1 Corinthians 12:12-26), the church is called to be a vivid, living color display of the gospel it preaches.

In the end...**Matthew 24:14** – “And this Gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”