BIBLICAL BASIS OF MISSION

Introduction

Whose mission is it?

What is the mission?

A blessing to all peoples
That all may know Him
That all may worship and glorify Him
Salvation to the ends of the earth

The Bible in world evangelization

Mandate – present in both Old and New Testaments Message – what we are to proclaim Model – identification without loss of identity Power – essential against the powers of Satan

The Old Testament

Genesis 12:1-3

God's covenant with Abraham Election brings responsibility

Exodus 19:1-6

A treasured possession A kingdom of priests A holy nation

Psalm 67 – all the peoples praising God

Jonah 1-4

Jonah did not want Ninevah to be spared God's question: Should I not pity Ninevah?

Servant Songs: Isaiah 42:1-4; 49:1-6; 50:4-9; 52:13-53:12

The Ministry of Jesus

The Supremacy of Jesus – Col. 1:15-20; Hebrews 1:3

Jesus came for all peoples

The lost sheep of the house of Israel
Gentiles

The Great Commission – Mark 16:15; John 20:21; Luke 24:44-49; Acts 1:8

Matthew 28:18-20

The Book of Acts

The miracles of Pentecost

Some themes in the messages in Acts
Promises of prophets fulfilled
Jesus was Messiah – His life, death, and resurrection seen by the apostles
Necessary to repent of sin and believe in Jesus

The Kingdom has come

The early church – Jews and Gentiles

The apostle Paul and the missionary task

The Church – Acts and Ephesians

What is the church?

"The community of God's people in the world"

What is the mission of the church?

Continuing what Jesus began

Agent to carry out God's mission

Where do I fit?

What is my passion in life? What in life is worth suffering and dying for? Apostolic passion

On mission with God

God invites us to join Him in what He is doing in this world. This requires obedience, faith, and action.

What must I do?

Pray unceasingly. Give sacrificially. Go and get involved.

"After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb." Revelation 7:9