

Missions Conference 2019

Why "Missionary" is our middle name.
Jeremiah 8:20 Pastor Dean Lancaster February 3, 2019

Today we want to give ourselves a reminder: Within the good news of Jesus Christ there lies a **warning and an urgency.**

Jeremiah 8:20 "The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved."

The Warning: Soon, coming to Christ will be no longer possible.

1 Thessalonians 5:2-3 *for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.*

Matthew 24:44 *So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.*

There will be a time when **harvest** is no longer possible.

Many will not be saved in time because they have not heard.

Why do we give, send and go?

There is **no other way to God except through** Jesus Christ!

Acts 4:12 *Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."*

John 14:6 *Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

We serve a **missionary** God, which means we must be a **missionary** people.

Matthew 28:19-20 *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

"It's not that God's church has a mission; it's that God's mission has a church." -
Ed Stetzer

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The Urgency: The time for missions is now

2 Corinthians 6:2 *For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.*

In the time it takes to hear this sermon-how many lost souls will perish forever?

It is estimated that **7.2 billion** people are in the world today.

29.2% of the world are un-reached-no Gospel witness.

More than 2.1 billion people live in "un-reached" people groups in some of the hardest-to-reach areas of the world.

150,685 people die per day in the world.

29.2% of them are un-reached.

44,000 un-reached die in a single day.,

1,830 un-reached people die every hour.

This sermon is timed to 30 minutes which means, **915** people died without Christ and went to Hell in the last half-hour.

First two letters of the gospel are "GO"

Luke 10:2 *He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.*

Take this with you...

Come this week to be reminded and refreshed by hearing what God is doing in places you and I will probably never see.

Listen to Kevin and let God guide you as to how you can come along side him to help with the harvest.

Will you begin praying this week for your goal for a Faith Promise to the Great Commission Fund?