

Mission of the Church



Evangelism

To Seek And Save The Lost

Objectives



- Define The Word Mission
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 - God Foreordained The Mission
 - Jesus Commaneded The Mission
 - The Church Practiced The Mission
- The Church Took Forth The Mission

The Word Mission Defined



- The act or an instance of sending.
- A body of persons sent to perform a service or carry on an activity.
- A ministry commissioned by a religious organization to propagate its faith or carry on humanitarian work .
- A specific task with which a person or a group is charged .

God Foreordained The Mission



- **He foreordained the TARGET of the Mission**
 - **Man**
 - ✦ Ephesians 1:4-5 “According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will”

God Foreordained The Mission



- **He foreordained the PURPOSE of the Mission**

- **To Save Man**

- ✦ 2 Thessalonians 2:13 “But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth”

God Foreordained The Mission



- ◎ **He foreordained the MESSAGE of the Mission (1 Cor. 15:1-4)**
 - **The Gospel**
 - ✦ 2 1 Peter 1:18-20 “Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you”

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- **The Gospel**

- ✦ Revelation 13:8 “And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”

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- **He foreordained the REWARD of the Mission**

- **Heaven**

- ✦ 1 Peter 1:4-5 “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you.”

Jesus Commanded The Mission



- John 3:17 “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.”

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- Matthew 28:18-20 “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.”
- Mark 16:15-16 “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.”

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- ⦿ John 14:15 “If ye love me, keep my commandments.”
- ⦿ John 15:14 “Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.”
- ⦿ 1John 5:3 “For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.”

The Church Took Forth The Mission



- ◎ **Day of Pentacost**

- ✦ Acts 2:1-11, 36-38, 41

- ◎ **Lame Man**

- ✦ Acts 3:1-11 “Lame Man Healed”

- Verse 12 “Peter saw an opportunity for the mission

- 4:4 “Many believed”

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◎ The Council

- ✦ Acts 4:5-12 (v8) “The disciples arrested and preaches to the council”
- ✦ 4:17-18 “The disciples were threatened not to preach anymore in Jesus’ name”
- ✦ 4:19-20 “The disciples responded”
- ✦ 4:23-29 “The disciples prayed”

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○ Times of Persecution

✦ Acts 8:1-4 “After the Death of Stephen”

- Acts 8:1-4 “And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles. And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and made great lamentation over him. As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed *them* to prison.

Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.”

The Equation for the Mission



Plant + Water = Increase

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○ Plant + Water

✦ *The Seed to be planted is the Word of God.*

- Luke 8:11 “Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.”
- Mark 4:14 “The sower soweth the word.”

✦ *The Seed/Word needs moisture, it needs to be watered.*

- Luke 8:6 “And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.”

✦ *Our Duty Clearly stated.*

- 1 Corinthians 3:6-8 “**I have planted, Apollos watered;** but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. **Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one:** and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.”

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Luke 15:3-7 “1 Sheep”

Verses 8-10 “1 Piece of Silver”

Verses 11-32 “Prodigal Son”

We Have A Mission To Accomplish



A Mission That Was...
Foreordained By God
Commanded By Jesus
Took Forth By The Church

**Once We Cease To Fulfill This
Mission Then We Have Ceased To Exist
For The Purpose In Which The
Mission Was First Enacted:
To Seek And Save The Lost.**