

The Call to Missions: Answering God's Commission to Share the Gospel

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As Christians, we have all heard the call to missions. It is a divine commission given to us by God himself to share the gospel with the world. This call is not just for a select few, but for every believer who has accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. It is a call to step out of our comfort zones, to go beyond the borders of our own communities, and to bring the good news of salvation to those who have not yet heard it.

1 When Jesus walked this earth, he set the perfect example of what it means to be on a mission for God. He tirelessly preached the gospel, healed the sick, and cast out demons. He never wavered in his commitment to his Father's mission, even when faced with opposition and rejection.

2 In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus gives us the Great Commission, saying, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you."

3 The Apostle Paul was also a great example of someone who answered the call to missions. In Acts 9:15, God said of Paul, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel."

4 Mission work is not limited to traveling to foreign lands. It can also be done right where we are, in our own neighborhoods and workplaces. Every encounter we have with others is an opportunity to share the love and truth of Jesus Christ.

5 Proverbs 11:30 tells us that "he who wins souls is wise." Sharing the gospel is the greatest act of wisdom we can engage in because it has eternal significance.

6 John 3:16 reminds us of God's great love for the world, saying, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." This love compels us to share the gospel with others.

7 The process of sharing the gospel begins with prayer. We must ask God to open doors and provide opportunities for us to share his love with those around us.

8 Acts 1:8 says, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." The Holy Spirit empowers us to boldly proclaim the gospel and gives us the words to speak.

9 It is important to remember that we are not responsible for the outcome of our mission. Our job is to faithfully share the gospel, and it is God who works in the hearts of those who hear it.

? The call to missions is not always easy. It requires sacrifice, perseverance, and a willingness to step out in faith. But the rewards far outweigh the challenges. As we serve others and share the love of Christ, we ourselves are transformed and grow deeper in our relationship with God.

11 We can find encouragement in the words of Isaiah 52:7, which says, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'"

12 When we answer the call to missions, we become part of a global movement of believers who are passionate about fulfilling God's purpose for their lives. We join a community that supports and encourages one another in this great endeavor.

13 The call to missions is not just for the spiritually elite or those with specific gifts. It is for all of us. God equips and prepares us for the task at hand, using our unique skills, talents, and experiences to reach others with the gospel.

14 As we step out in faith, we can trust in God's provision and guidance. He will open doors, make a way where there seems to be no way, and fulfill his promises as we obediently follow him.

15 So, dear reader, I encourage you to answer the call to missions. Whether it be in a foreign land or in your own backyard, let your life be a living testimony of God's love and grace. Trust in him, follow his leading, and watch as he uses you to bring hope and salvation to a hurting world.

?? May the Lord bless you and keep you. May his face shine upon you and give you peace. May he fill your heart with a burning passion for missions and guide you every step of the way. Go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may your life be a shining testimony of God's love. Amen.