



Making Jesus Famous

Ice Breaker: If you could go to any country in the world for a visit, where would you go?

70% of American Christians don't know that there are people in the world who still haven't heard about Jesus.

The Missions Quiz:

1. The Bible has been translated at least partially in every language in the world.
True /**False**. (1,670 languages remain that don't have even one verse of the bible translated into their language.)
2. How many unreached people groups are there in the world today?
 - a. 486
 - b. 3,805
 - c. **6,825**
3. What percentage of the world has no access to the Gospel? (Unreached)
 - a. **42%** This is defined by some of these factors: They don't have a church they can go to, a missionary to talk to, and they may or may not have access to the bible in their language.
 - b. 37.5%
 - c. 28%
 - d. 12%
4. The least evangelized nation on earth, per capita, is:
 - a. Iran
 - b. Honduras
 - c. **Turkey. 80million people live in Turkey and there are 18,000 known believers.**
5. American Christians give away 2% of their wealth to Christian causes, what percentage of this giving supports work among the unreached?
 - a. 55%
 - b. **.01%**
 - c. 5%

d. 28%

6. Most Missionaries are working among the unreached.

True/ **False**. The majority of missionaries are serving in already reached nations.

Why do we need Missions?

Discuss:

Take some time to mull over these statements.

>When we think that the world has been reached, we do little to reach the world.

> The spiritual geography of the world changes, If we stay in a rut, we won't change directions when needed.

➤ "Tradition is the living faith of those now dead. Traditionalism is the dead faith of those now living." When we worship the way things used to be, we will not be able to engage in the new thing God is doing. God is always doing a new thing, We just need to keep up.

Question: Where did the need for missions begin?

Please Read Together: Genesis 3:1-7 (NIV)

Adam and Eve were in need of redemption. THAT is when the need for missions began. What did God ask them?

Answer: It began at the fall of mankind.

Read Together: Romans 5:12 (NIV)

Discuss:

Sin entered the world through one man. Who was it?

Question: What is God's heart for missions?

Read Together: Genesis 3:8-9 (NIV)

Discuss: Adam and Eve had made clothes for themselves because they realized they were naked. They were wearing clothes, but there was still a deep need to be reconciled to God. They still felt exposed. We can call this many things, but it's ultimately shame. What do you do when you feel shame?

Answer: To restore those lost safely back into His family.

Read Together: Luke 19:10 (ESV)

Discuss:

Consider this together: The Millenia long mission of God has been to reveal His Character and Nature to the World. Why? So they can know that He's a good Father. That's why He sent Jesus. He wanted restoration of His family. He is FOR us. He always longs to bring people back into His family. He knew where Adam and Eve were. He asked the question, "where are you?" to let them know that HE knows that they are lost and in need of restoration.

Question: Who is supposed to help restore those lost safely back into His family?

Read together: *Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV), John 20:21 (NIV), Acts 1:8 (NIV), Acts 16:9-10 (NIV) and 2 Corinthians 8:1-7 (NIV)*

Answer: Those who are a part of God's family are the ones who are to help restore those lost back into His family.

Discuss:

Many in the body of Christ (The family of God) have lost the urgency to go find the lost members of God's family. Mark and Jason talked about how at a meal, if a sibling is missing, the members of the family will go looking for them.

Can a lost person find their way home? Lost means that you belonged in a place and you are no longer there. You need someone to come and get you and say, "Hey, Over here. Home is over here."

The Local church is anointed for the purpose of bringing God's family members home.

Here's a challenge! The question for believers is "Should I stay?" In Matthew 28, Jesus has already told us to GO, so if we are going to stay, it needs to be because God told us to stay. Has God told you to stay? Where has He told you to go?

Do you believe that the Gospel is the solution or not? The answer to this question is deep. Ask God to help you uncover any doubt you may have.

Pray:

Lord, should I stay? If so, whom should I reach here? Should I go to one of the unreached places? If so, where? Please open doors for me to reach the people that you are asking "Where are you?" I want to be used by you. Here am I, send me.
In Jesus name, Amen.