The Christian’s Mission - Chapter 6

Summer 2021 Worship Theme Schedule

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*(Suggestions and questions at the end of each* week *refer the reader to some Scripture readings that will add depth to the* message themes. They provide points of discussion in a group setting.)

1. On Mission In All the World
   1. The Church - One, Worldwide Family
   2. United for a Major Assault
   3. What Can We Do? The Disciple must:
      1. Recommit to the Necessity of the Gospel of Jesus for All Men.
      2. Be informed About the Missionary Enterprise.
      3. Identify him/herself with the world crusade for Christ.
      4. Be Ready to Give Generously their money to the mission.
      5. Appreciate the Need for Balancing Manpower Needs for Whole Church.

# Bible Reading and Study

* + - 1. Read Ephesians, chapter 2. What specific problem in the Church was troubling Paul? Note vs. 14-16. What solution does Paul offer in the Chapter?
      2. Read Isaiah 60: 1-5. Does darkness cover the earth today?

Or have we improved since Isaiah’s day? What is our Light?

What practical efforts are involved in “rising and shinning” with our light today?

* + - 1. Read Acts 15: 1-11. In what way did some early Christians want to impose their own practices on believers in the mission fields?

From Peter’s answer, decide what is essential and what is not essential as the church works among various peoples and cultures.

* + - 1. Read Acts 4: 1-12. From this content determine the basic content of the Church’s message in her mission work. Why must this message be communicated effectively? See also John 3: 16; John 6: 68; John 8: 24; and 1 Corinthians 3: 11.

# Problems and Projects

1. Consult a world map that may indicate approximate percentage of nominal Christians in the various countries.
2. Using materials from denominational stewardship boards to develop a resource list of materials that could be used to develop and interesting and informative program about the Christian mission in any country.
3. Consider again the problem of the Martins in the sermon today. What would you say to Dick and Sue Martin?
4. What has been your most effective or fruitful experience in Christina witnessing?
5. What can be set up to better inform our congregation of missional opportunities for all members?

**Thinking It Through For Myself**

1. What may make it easier for today’s Christian to become involved in the whole world than in any previous generation?
2. Do I keep myself informed on world missions be reading denominational periodicals?
3. In what particular world mission am I especially interested in?
4. Why is developing indigenous churches (operated by trained locals) on every mission field better strategy than merely sending missionaries to do the work?
5. Church bodies are using more lay men and women in world missions, utilizing their professional gifts to bless others in the mission field. Could this be me also?
6. Can I excuse myself from personal involvement because I contribute regularly to the church’s budget?
7. How many mission projects could our congregation help if each group or class adopted certain mission projects? Is it better for a congregation to “give to all” missional opportunities (scattergun approach), or is it better to select a few where a greater impact could be made?
8. Could our family assist a certain mission field or missionary? What would be involved to do so?