

ON MISSION WITH GOD WHY SHOULD MISSIONS BE MY LIFES PRIORITY

Home Group Leaders Notes- Week 4

We have talked about the Missionary heart of God. We have talked about the desperate state of man. Now let's talk about you and me.

Mat 6:33 – Seek first the kingdom of God. And all these things will be added unto you.

Q - So why should Missions be my life's highest priority?

1. I'VE BEEN **CREATED** FOR MINISTRY

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Eph. 2:10

2. I'VE BEEN **SAVED** FOR MINISTRY!

"It is He who saved us and chose us for his holy work, not because we deserved it but because that was his plan long before the world began..." 2 Tim. 1:9

3. I'VE BEEN **CALLED** INTO MINISTRY!

"God, in his grace, chose me even before I was born, and called me to serve him." Gal. 1:15 (GN)

"I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received." Eph. 4:1

"... You have been chosen by God himself -- you are priests of the King... you are God's very own -- all this so that you may show to others how God called you out of darkness into his wonderful light! Once you were less than nothing, now you are God's own!" 1 Peter 2:9-10 (LB)

"... you will serve as holy priests..." 1 Peter 2:5 (GN)

4. I'VE BEEN **GIFTED** FOR MINISTRY!

"God has given each of you some social abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessing." 1 Peter 4:10 (LB)

5. I'VE BEEN **AUTHORIZED** FOR MINISTRY!

"(Jesus said) All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples..." Matt. 28:18-19

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors..." 2 Cor. 5:20

6. I'M **COMMANDED** TO MINISTER!

"(Jesus) Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve..." Mt. 20:28 (LB)

"(To Archippus) Take heed to the ministry you've received from the Lord and fulfill it." Col. 4:17 (KJV)

7. I'M TO BE **EQUIPPED** FOR MINISTRY

"God gave pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of ministry so that the body of Christ may be built up..." Eph. 4:11-12

8. THE BODY OF CHRIST **NEEDS** MY MINISTRY!

"All of you together are the one body of Christ and each of you is a separate and necessary part of it." 1 Cor. 12:27 (LB)

Ministry always functions in the context of the ___BODY OF CHRIST_____

"When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said, 'The harvest is great but the workers are few. Ask the Lord to send our workers into his harvest field.'" Matt. 9:36-37

9. I AM **ACCOUNTABLE** FOR MY MINISTRY!

"So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God." Romans 14:12

10. I WILL BE **REWARDED** FOR MY MINISTRY!

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward." Col. 3:23, 24

"Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your Master's happiness!" Matt. 25:23

When you Discover WHO you really are,
you'll discover WHAT you really MUST do.