

# “JESUS’ LOVE FOR THE WORLD”

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**John 17:14** “I have given them your word and **the world has hated them**, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.”

**John 17:15** “My prayer is **not that you take them out of the world** but that you **protect them from the evil one**.”

**John 17:16** “**They are not of the world**, even as I am not of it.”

- WE BELONG TO GOD’S KINGDOM

**John 17:17** “Sanctify them by the truth; your **word is truth**.”

- The Word of God does the Work of God.
- **John 8:32** “Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

**John 17:18** “As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.”

- We are ambassadors of Christ as He is speaking through us!
- **Romans 10:13** “for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

**John 17:19** “For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.”  
“Be truly sanctified” = God needs clean vessels. Are you clean?

**Mark 16:15** “He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.”

**Henry Blackaby - Experiencing God**– “People don't ask questions about spiritual matters unless God is already at work in their lives.”

**John 17:20** “**My prayer** is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message,

- **Jesus Prays for us and for the unbelievers.**
- **Luke 19:10** “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

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- God wants to use YOU as His vessel for their salvation.

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- **Acts 18:9-10** “One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: “**Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent. For I am with you**, and no one is going to attack and harm you, because I have many people in this city.”
- **John 9:4**, Jesus said, “I must work the works of him that sent me, **while it is day: the night cometh**, when no man can work.”
- “**Let’s work while it’s Day, as the night is coming...**”

## Joshua project statistics

- 17,313 people groups on the earth.
- Of that number 7,278 are **Unreached People Groups**
- World’s Population **8.1 billion**
- **3.4 billion** are still waiting to hear the Gospel for the first time.
- That represents **42.4%** of the World’s population.
- Will you go! Will you share!

## Let’s Finish the Task!

- **Romans 10:20** “And Isaiah boldly says, “I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me.”
- **John 17:21** “that all of them may be one, **Father**, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.”

Unity of the Body of Christ points to Christ.

- “**In here**” goals = Great Commandment
- **Mathew 22:37-39** “Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”
- “**out-there**” goals = Great Commission
- **Mathew 28:19-20** “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

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## Commissioning

**John 20:21** “Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.”

**Acts 20:24** “However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—**the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace.**”

## Commissioning

- Jesus gives you and me a mission in the world.
- No Missionary goes on their own.
- **God is the One who sends us.**
- **Romans 10:15** “**And how can anyone preach unless they are sent?** As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”
- Never stop sharing.

## Jesus brought Glory to the Father

**John 17:4** “I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.”

- It will bring great glory to God when we finish the Task He has given us to.

## The Task He Has Given Us

- Praying – Prayer is an integral, critical part of Missions...
- Sending – Generosity with our funds...
- Going – Short term, long term...near and far!
- Go and Share what God has done in your life!
- Let’s finish the task.