Values What is Important to Us? Week 04: Missions

Scripture

Various

Series

Week 1: The Scriptures (*The Holy Spirit of God and the Word of God enable us to do the will of God*)

Week 2: Discipleship (Every member a minister of the Gospel)

Week 3: One Another (Together we can do more)

Week 4: Missions (Do for one what we wish we could do for all)

Week 5: Relationships (*The larger we grow, the smaller we must grow*)

Motivation (Why They Need to Know It)

Today, I'd like to take a look at our fourth value, *Do for one what we wish we could* do for all.

As a local body we can't get the Gospel to all nations by ourselves, but we can do our very best with what God has given us.

Matthew 28:18 (ESV) And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, <u>baptizing them</u> in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

What are the areas of missions?

- Internally (Our Church and Community)
- Locally (Our State)
- Nationally (Our Nation)
- Globally (Our World)

What we have here is not meant to stay here.

Information (What They Need to Know) *Principles about maintaining an outward look...*

Principle #1: Begin with the Gospel in our Church and Community

We should not do *somewhere else* what we're not willing to do *at home*.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT) ...anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! 18 And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him.

2 Timothy 4:2 (NLT) Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching.

- Speak the Gospel
 - \checkmark Preach the good news in the Sunday morning gathering
 - ✓ Then, scatter to where God has positioned us to share the Gospel there (homes, jobs, neighborhoods, colleges, schools, etc.)
- Demonstrate the Gospel (personal and corporate level)
 (JEFF to Speak about the Food Pantry)

1 John 3:17 (NLT) If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?
18 Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.

Principle #2: Send others to go beyond our reach

Romans 10:14 (NLT) But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? **15** And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent?

- Locally and Nationally (*Nick Larson from H2O Church in Kent to Speak*)
- Globally
 (Possible Video from Steve Burkholder about Global Missions)
 (Possible Video Clip from Josh Steward)

Principle #3: Consider your part in missions

- Everyone can pray
- Everyone can give
- Everyone can go (internally, locally/nationally, globally)

Application (What They Need to Do)

Time of prayer for the spread of the Gospel