

Sermon Guide and Discussion Questions

How Do I Have a Kingdom Mindset: Part 2 – Acts 1:8 and Acts 13:1-3

Sermon Outline

1. Introduction – illustration of John G. Paton
2. Send
3. Go
4. Disobey
5. Conclusion – the goal of missions is the worship of God and we all have a part to play in increasing the worship of God throughout the world

Scripture Passages Referenced

- Matthew 9:37-38 – The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.
- Colossians 4:3 – At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ...
- Acts 14:27 – And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.
- Matthew 28:19-20 – Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them 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.
- Matthew 28:20 – And behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Discussion Questions

- When you hear the word ‘missions’, what immediately comes to mind?
- Why is it critical for us to have a kingdom mindset both locally and globally?
- How does Acts 1:8 help us understand that a kingdom mindset includes both local and global components?
- In what ways does the church in Antioch faithfully send out Barnabas and Saul?
- What can we learn from the fact that the church was worshipping God when the Holy Spirit called those two men to the mission field?
- Why is it vital for us to have a healthy balance of both worship and service?
- How is sending out missionaries sacrificial on the church’s part?
- What does it look like for you to be a part of sending out missionaries?
- What are some practical things we can do as a church to be a good sending church?
- Why must we see that faithfulness in missions includes both sending and going?
- How can you partner in praying for God to raise up more missionaries out of our church?
- What might it look like for you to go to the mission field (short-term or full-time)?
- Have you honestly prayed about whether or not the Lord might be calling you into missions?
- Are you willing to pray that God might call your children or grandchildren to the mission field? Why or why not?
- What do you believe keeps us from considering missions?
- How are comfort and safety idols in your own life?
- Why is it true that we can send, go, or disobey when it comes to a global kingdom mindset?
- How does God define success in missions?
- If missions is not the end goal, but rather worship is, how does that shape our approach to missions and evangelism?
- How do these passages and this sermon help you understand God better?
- How do these passages and this sermon challenge you to live differently as a follower of Jesus Christ?