

Main Service

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Disciples of All Nations

Acts 1:8

The Bible's Theme: God is redeeming a people for His Son, by His Son, to His own glory. (Tom Pennington)

8 Aspects of God's Redemptive Plan

Aspect 1: The Eternal Origin

Aspect 2: The Promised Seed

Aspect 3: The Nations Dispersed

Aspect 4: The Abrahamic Covenant

Aspect 5: The Nation of Israel

Aspect 6: The Davidic Covenant

Aspect 7: The Psalms

Aspect 8: The Prophets

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

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¹The first account I composed, Theophilus, about all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when He was taken up to heaven, after He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles whom He had chosen. ³To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a

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period of forty days and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God. ⁴Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from

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now.”⁶ So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, “Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority;⁸ but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in

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Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”

Matthew 16:18

¹⁸I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.

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Book Recommendation:

The New Covenant Ministry of The Holy Spirit
(Larry Pettigrew)

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Acts 2:1-13

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with

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the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.
⁵Now there were Jews living in Jerusalem, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And when this sound occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own language.

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⁷They were amazed and astonished, saying, “Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the

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districts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—we hear them in our own tongues speaking of the mighty deeds of God.” ¹²And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others were mocking and saying, “They are

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full of sweet wine."

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³⁷Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?" ³⁸Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:41

⁴¹So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

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Acts 8:1

¹Saul was in hearty agreement with putting him to death.

And on that day a great persecution began against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

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Acts 8:4-6

⁴Therefore, those who had been scattered went about preaching the word. ⁵Philip went down to the city of Samaria and began proclaiming Christ to them. ⁶The crowds with one accord were giving attention to what was said by Philip, as they heard and saw the signs which he was performing.

Acts 8:14

¹⁴Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John,

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Acts 10:34-35

³⁴Opening his mouth, Peter said:
“I most certainly understand now that God is not
one to show partiality, ³⁵but in every nation the
man who fears Him and does what is right is
welcome to Him.

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Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the message. ⁴⁵All the circumcised believers who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking with tongues and exalting God. Then

Acts 10:44-48

Peter answered, ⁴⁷"Surely no one can refuse the water for these to be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we did, can he?" ⁴⁸And he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay on for a few days.

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Acts 11:15-18

¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as He did upon us at the beginning.

¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He used to say, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷Therefore if God gave to them the same gift as He gave to us also after believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I

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that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard this, they quieted down and glorified God, saying, "Well then, God has granted to the Gentiles also the repentance that leads to life."

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Acts 9:15-16

¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; ¹⁶for I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake."

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Acts 11:26

²⁶and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. And for an entire year they met with the church and taught considerable numbers; and the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.

Paul's Missionary Journeys

- Journey 1- 13:1-14:28
- Journey 2- 15:36-18:22
- Journey 3- 18:23-21:17

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Acts 14:19-23

¹⁹But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium, and having won over the crowds, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead. ²⁰But while the disciples stood around him, he got up and entered the city. The next day he went away with Barnabas to Derbe. ²¹After they had preached the gospel to that city and had

Acts 14:19-23

made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, ²²strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying, "Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God."
²³When they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they

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commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

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Titus 1:5

⁵For this reason I left you in Crete, that you would set in order what remains and appoint elders in every city as I directed you,

1 Timothy 1:2-5

²To Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus so that you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines, ⁴nor to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere

1 Timothy 1:2-5

speculation rather than furthering the administration of God which is by faith. ⁵But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

2 Timothy 2:1-2

¹You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ²The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

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Application 1: We will seek to make new disciples in our area.

1. Evangelism
2. Church Planting

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Application 2: We will be committed to churchwide discipleship.

Application 3: We will seek to strengthen other local churches in our area.



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Category 2: Global Missions

- If we are going to be faithful to Christ's commission locally...

Application 1: We will train/Send/Support missionaries and ministries dedicated to church planting and church strengthening.

Application 2: We will taking strategic short term mission trips.

1. The support and encouragement of our missionaries.

1 Timothy 1:16-18

¹⁶Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life. ¹⁷Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. ¹⁸This command I entrust to you, Timothy, my son, in

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accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you fight the good fight,

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Application 2: We will taking strategic short term mission trips.

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2. The strengthening of local churches and missionaries via equipping and training.

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Conclusion

1. Pray for our missionaries.
2. Pray for our church.
3. Pray for your own heart.

"Only one life will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last".
C T Studd

