

CHRIST'S MISSION.

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INTRO.:

- A. When Christ came into this world, He came to seek and save the lost**
(**Luke 19:10** "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.")
- B. Christ came to serve and be our example.**
 - 1. **1 Peter 2:21** "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:"
 - 2. **1 John 2:6** "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked."
 - 3. **Philippians 2:5** "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:"
- C. Even the name we wear exemplifies that we are to be like Christ.**
 - 1. A Christian is a disciple, a follower of Christ.
 - 2. Therefore, we should have the same desire as Christ.

I. THE LOST.

- A. We must realize that people can be lost.**
 - 1. **Matthew 7:13-14.**
 - 2. **Matthew 7:21-23.**
 - 3. **Galatians 5:4** (We can fall from grace.)
- B. "... The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few" (**Matthew 9:37**).**
 - 1. Many souls desperately need the gospel (**Hebrews 11:6; Romans 10:17; Romans 1:16**).
 - 2. Many call Him Lord and yet will not obey that gospel (**Luke 6:46**).
- C. The word lost is a sad word. It indicates those who are separated from God and without obedience to the gospel are headed to eternal damnation.**
 - 1. **Revelation 20:11-15.**
 - 2. **Matthew 25:31-46** (esp. **vss. 41, 46** "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: - (**46**) And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.")
 - 3. **2 Thessalonians 1:6-9.**
 - 4. **Mark 9:43-48.**

II. SEEK.

- A. Many times, we expect the lost to come to us.**
- B. We must and are commanded to go!**
 - 1. **Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16.**
 - 2. **Luke 24:46-47.**
 - 3. **2 Timothy 2:2** "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

III. SAVE.

- A. The power to save is not in man and his eloquence.**
- B. That power to save is in the gospel (**Romans 1:16; James 1:21**).**
 - 1. Paul describes that gospel as the death, burial and resurrection.
 - 2. **1 Corinthians 15:1-4.**

- C. **Romans 6:17** “But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.”
1. “... that form of doctrine”, means the Gospel, which is the “doctrine” delivered through the Scriptures.
 2. **Romans 6:3-4** “Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore, we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

IV. CONCLUSION:

- A. **Christ’s mission was to bring salvation through His sacrifice and His atoning blood.**
- B. **Today, the church must carry out that same mission.**
1. We must teach the gospel so that men can choose to be saved or to be lost.
 2. Don’t you think our friends and loved ones should be given opportunity to make that choice?