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Ways To Participate In Christ's Mission 02-02-25

WORSHIP (15 MINS)

Venue: Home gatherings

Sing one or two songs or play a song from You Tube.

Venue: Public place (school, café, park, etc.) or Via Online,

Testimonies: "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?"

Opening Prayer: Pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal to us how to know Christ in a deeper way.

WELCOME (15 MINS)

Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

Memory Verse: "He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few." Matthew 9:37

Ice-breaker: If Jesus is physically present today, 02-02-2025, based on Matthew 9:35-38, what do you think will be His biggest concern in our world today?

WORD(30-45 MINS) Text: MATTHEW 9:35-38 NLT

Intro: I think Jesus would be deeply troubled—100%—by the lost, hurting, and wandering souls of this generation. When He sees the deep spiritual and emotional brokenness of people in our communities, as in this passage, He will still be moved with compassion, just as He was when He saw people 'harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd during that time.

Jesus wants His disciples to go deeper—to be more deeply involved. He begins by asking them to pray, and He is asking us to do the same. How do we do this?

1. WE ARE TO PRAY FOR MORE WORKERS – V.38

- Our relationship with Christ should be a two-way commitment. He showed His love by dying for our sins, forgiving us, and restoring us to God. In response, are we willing to listen to His heart and do what He desires? God longs for people to be saved and He calls us to join Him in this mission—**beginning with prayer.**

Let's begin doing our part in God's mission by praying for more workers—and that includes asking Him what our own role should be.

Q: Why do you think prayer is the starting point for helping others come to know Jesus?

Q: Why do you think praying for more workers who will bring the message of salvation a priority to Jesus?

2. WE ARE TO PRAY FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN THE HARVEST

- Many people are already sharing the Gospel and leading others to Christ, and they need our prayers. Even the apostle Paul asked fellow believers to pray for him. How?

A. PRAY FOR OPEN DOORS – Read Col. 4:2-4, 2 Cor. 4:4

Here's why prayer is important:

□ God knows who is ready to receive the Gospel—those whose hearts and minds have been prepared by their circumstances.

□ He can also remove spiritual barriers, including demonic opposition, that prevent people from understanding and accepting the Gospel.

Q: How can we trust God to lead us to people who are ready to hear about Jesus?

Q: What are some spiritual barriers that keep people from accepting the Gospel, and how can we pray against them?

Leader's Tips:

S - Sensitivity. No one should feel left out.

P - Participation is encouraged.

A - Acknowledge. Make guests feel welcomed.

C - Confidentiality. What is shared stays in the group.

E - Encouragement. Be a blessing to one another.

B. PRAY FOR GOD'S PROTECTION – Read 2 Thess 3:1-3, Phil 1:19

Paul knew following Jesus meant facing opposition from people and spiritual forces, so he relied on God's strength and asked for prayer. As we celebrate Missions Month, let's do more than just support missionaries—let's also pray for God's guidance, protection, and strength in their work.

Q: Why do you think Paul valued prayer and in times of opposition?

Q: How can we actively pray for missionaries, and why is it important to do so during Missions Month?

C. PRAY FOR GOD'S PROVISION - Read Matthew 6:10-11

Missionaries and ministry workers around the world are praying for God to provide for their needs in miraculous ways. This aligns with the Lord's Prayer, where we ask for His provision.

Q: What can we do to be a part of God's answer to missionaries' prayers for daily provision?

Conclusion: Partner with someone and pray for the following:

1. Pray to God to inspire many people in to become His workers, sharing His message in Canada and beyond.

2. Pray that believers around the world will hear God's call and willingly follow His direction.

3. Pray for those serving with YWAM worldwide, Lighthouse Missions, and Union Gospel Mission in Winnipeg, asking God to guide, strengthen, and protect them. Pray that God will meet all their ministry needs

4. Pray for God to provide everything we need as we make disciples in Canada and beyond, especially in planting churches.

What is your take-away from this lesson?

WORK: The Challenge (15 mins.)

P- Pray for one another. Ask "what can I pray for you?"

R- Remind to invite a friend on the next gathering.

A- Apply the message during the week.

Y- Yearn to share your faith with someone during the week.