

For Heaven's Sake!

Embracing Our Role In Advancing The Kingdom

Part 1: Understanding Our Responsibility

Introduction – Our Reason For Being Here

Luke 19:10; John 20:21

Our reason for being is _____.

Our reason for being together is _____.

Our reason for being *HERE* is _____.

Our Partnership With God – Realizing Role Distinctions

WHAT IS GOD'S RESPONSIBILITY?...

1. C _____
Romans 3:11; John 6:44 VS. John 1:9; 12:32; 16:8-9; Titus 2:11

2. C _____
John 3:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:7

3. C _____
Romans 8:29; 1 Corinthians 3:7; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; 5:5;
Ephesians 1:13-14; Philippians 1:6;

WHAT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY?...

1. P _____
Matthew 9:35-38; Romans 10:1; 1 Timothy 2:1-8

2. C _____
Matthew 5:13-16

Evangelism is both _____ (lamp) and _____ (city).

John 9:5; 13:35

3. P _____

John 17:20-23; Acts 1:8

4. D _____

Matthew 28:18-20

Conclusion – Getting Dressed For Our Mission

John 13:35; Colossians 3:14

HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS...

WARMING UP...

1. After reviewing this week's message, discuss what one thing most encourages, challenges, or perplexes you on this topic.
2. On a scale of 1 to 10, how experienced would you describe yourself to be in the area of evangelism. Talk about your experience.

LOOK TO THE BOOK...

3. Read Paul's instructions on evangelistic prayer in **1 Timothy 2:1-8**.
 - a) Note that four words are used to describe our prayers in **verse 1**. What different aspects of evangelistic praying does each word highlight?
 - b) Growing intense persecution made evangelism difficult for Christians in Paul's day. In light of that, how is the prayer of **verse 2** ultimately an evangelistic prayer? (See **verses 3-4** for the context.)
 - c) How does **verse 3** challenge the belief of *individual* election and *irresistible* grace? (Also see **2 Peter 3:9**.)
 - d) What are some things people today tend to substitute for "the man Christ Jesus" as their mediator to get to God (see **verse 5**)?
 - e) Discuss how Jesus' death is both a "ransom" and a "testimony" (**verse 6**).
 - f) According to **verse 8**, how is prayer, unity, and evangelism tied together?

SO WHAT?...

4. Read **Matthew 9:35-38**. Pray for more labourers, including each other, to manifest a greater commitment to the task of "harvesting".

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