



A1:8 MISSIONS

A1:8 Missions, Part 1 November 3rd/4th

Speaker: Dave Schmidgall

Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-3

Sermon Overview

What does missions look like in the 21st century? The methods and strategies must change, but the mission doesn't. Listen to part 1 of our Missions Series.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. How have you been on mission this week?
2. Is God revealing any shifts in who, where, or how you serve others?

Sermon Specific Questions:

1. Biblical righteousness is centered around generosity. How are you living generously today?
2. What is one thing the Spirit of God is inviting you to step in and advanced his kingdom in this world?
3. How is God inviting you to step in locally or globally, and what does it look like for you to be on mission each day?
4. How do we avoid turning people into service projects?
5. Pastor Dave shared that "the gift of missions isn't in our doing, but in community and shared experience." How does the power of community affect our ability to be on mission?
6. Pastor Dave encouraged us to pursue eulogy virtues, values that are discussed in our eulogy. What would you want your eulogy virtues to be?

Digging Deeper

Activity: Focus on the Eulogy

How do you want to be remembered? Oftentimes, we pursue resume virtues (achievements, titles, what we do) and don't focus enough on eulogy virtues (character, heart, who we are). **Take some time to write down your eulogy virtues, the ways you want to be remembered.** Try to keep it to less than fifty words and discuss it with your group.

Mission Spotlight: Latin American / Caribbean

Argentina (Buenos Aires) – February 2019

Work with Teen Challenge in addressing homelessness and poverty caused by life-controlling addictions. During this mission team, we will be doing manual labor at the ministry's farm, working alongside teenagers within the program, as well as teaching life and job skills. The only requirement is a willingness to work hard and serve well, but construction skills would be a huge bonus.

Leaders: Robb & Nicole Schmidgall (argentina@aoneeight.org)

Haiti (Port-au-Prince) – June 2019

NCC is sending a team to Port-au-Prince for the seventh consecutive year to partner with our friends at Redeemer's Child Orphanage (Bisoul Timoun). This year we will focus on providing long-term support to the children's home through fundraising and a continued relationship building. If you have never been on a mission team before, this would be a great trip to experience the heart of serving internationally!

Leaders: Heather Corsi and Karen Lewis (haiti@aoneeight.org)

Challenge: Prayer & Confession

Repeated prayers and confessions form and shape our hearts over time, making them meaningful and significant. Each week, we will focus on a piece of the confession Pastor Dave led us through during Part 1.

May God bless us with the discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that we may live deep within our hearts.

Pray this confession each day this week and reflect on the words or phrases that stand out to you. How is this prayer being answered in your own life?