Pastor Brett Latin April 25-26, 2015

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 (New International Version)

Take-Home Truth: God is a missionary God and we are called to be missionary people sent out to help reconcile people to him.

Why Do We Need To Be On Mission?

Lost people matter to God.

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10 (NIV)

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost. Luke 19:10 (NIV)

God is a <u>sending</u> God.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

. . . and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. Luke 9:2 (NIV)

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." John 20:21 (NIV)

How Do We Be On Mission?

<u>Embrace</u> where God has put you or is leading you.

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

- Pray <u>intentionally</u> and courageously <u>respond</u>.
- Live on mission <u>daily</u>.

Leaving, Listening, Live Among, Loving Without Strings

My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. John 17:15 (NIV)

Next Steps