

A Vision For The World

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Introduction:

I. Those Who Pray

- A. Those who pray are helping in the ministry as if they were actually there.
 - 1. II Corinthians 1:11 you also joining in helping us through your prayers, that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed upon us through the prayers of many.
 - 2. Romans 15:30 Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me.
- B. We are commanded by God to engage in this ministry of intercession
 - 1. Ephesians 6:18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,
 - 2. Colossians 4:2 & 3 Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; praying at the same time for us as well, that God may open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned.
- C. Paul relied upon the intercessions of his team to sustain him in the ministry
 - 1. Philippians 1:19 For I know that this shall turn out for my deliverance through your prayers and the provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.
 - 2. II Thessalonians 3:1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you.
 - 3. Philemon 1:22 And at the same time also prepare me a lodging; for I hope that through your prayers I shall be given to you.

II. Those Who Give

- A. As in prayer, those who give become co-laborers in the ministry
 - 1. III John 1:6 – 8 and they bear witness to your love before the church; and you will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. For they went out for the sake of the Name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. Therefore we ought to support such men, that we may be fellow workers with the truth.

2. Matthew 6:20 & 21 "But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

III. Those Who Go

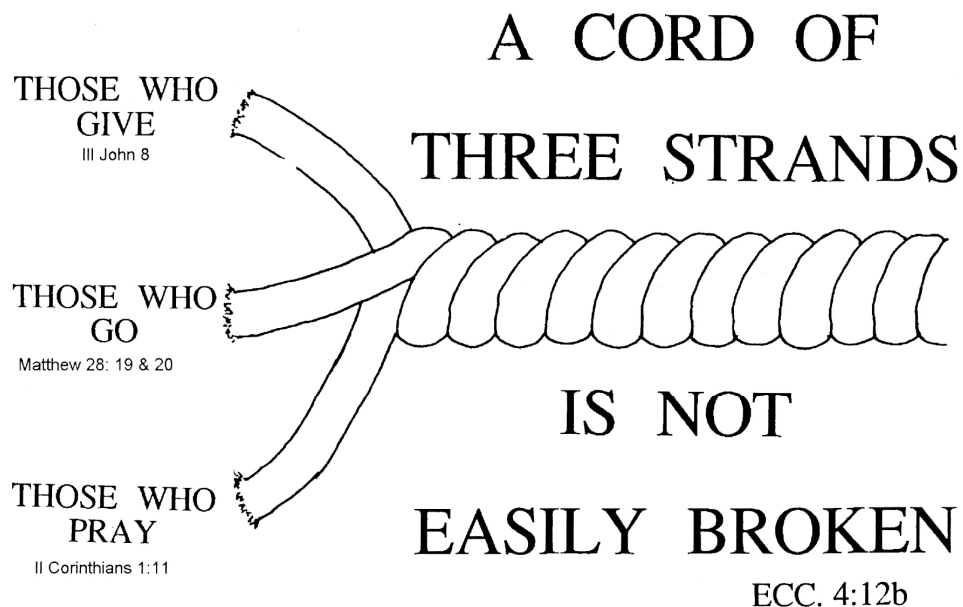
A. Matthew 28:19 & 20 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

B. Acts 16:9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a certain man of Macedonia was standing and appealing to him, and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."

IV. The Three Fold Cord

A. Ecclesiastes 4:12 And if one can overpower him who is alone, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart.

B. William Carey, the father of modern missions, "If you will hold the rope, I will go down to the pit of Hell and bring them out."



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