¿Misión Imposible?

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 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." Matthew 28:18-20.

And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Mark 16:15

And He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending forth the promise of My Father upon you, but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Luke 24:46-49

Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace be with you, as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." John 20:21

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." Acts 1:8

For "Whoever will call upon the Name of the Lord will be saved." How then shall they call upon Him in how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is

whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things!" However, they did not all heed the glad tidings, for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ. Romans 10:13-17 What is World Vision? What is Mission? What is a Mission Field?

What is a Missionary?

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Mt. 28:19

"GO ye therefore and make disciples of all nations..."

Mark 16:15

"GO ye and preach the Gospel to every creature."

There are two elements for every missionary to experience:

God's Call - World Vision is God's idea. Passages such as Ps. 67; Genesis 12:3; 22:18

Obedience - Mission

I Corinthians 9:16

We get World Vision from God by

Exposure to the Word – the Gospel of the Kingdom of God Romans 1:16

Exposure to the world's needs – where the Kingdom hasn't impacted Romans 10:11-17

The Navigator's History

Daws taught World Vision to early Navigators - several trips overseas

Most were servicemen caught up in wars and taken out of their homes and sent overseas. We saw what we never would have seen otherwise.

Missions Exposure – trips with church groups, missions conferences, visits to missionaries. working overseas, giving

Learning facts – workshops, Johnston's book on statistics, writing missionaries, biographies of missionaries, graphics

Training for Missions

Host of former missionaries with great experience overseas are a rich resource to be exploited. Vance Havner said. "Many pray for God to use them. If you get usable, God will use you."

Training and equipping for ministry overseas is done best man-to-man from "someone who has been there and done that." Look for them!! Learn from them.

The means for going

There are several ways to go about this:

Full time, supported by churches and individuals or missionary agencies.

Part time overseas and part time home ministry

Bivocational missionaries who find jobs overseas where there is a missionary team and work with them as they need help.

Hindrances to accomplishing our mission

Economic situation, world-wide crisis, pessimism

Missions is seen as the job for a few, not the whole church willing to do whatever is necessary.

The message in most churches is "what you get" instead of what we must give to God.

Little emphasis on the Cross, the Exchanged Life.

Motivation for missions

Teaching disciples the missionary mandates of the Bible.

Doing missions with them - home and abroad

Get them to give to missionaries.