

Heart for the World

Text: Ecclesiastes 3:11 NLT *Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God's work from beginning to end.*

Introduction: God has planted in eternity and faith in every heart.

Romans 12:3 *For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as **God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.***

When the Gospel of Jesus Christ is heard and received, faith comes alive and people experience Eternal Life! But, without the Gospel everyone goes around seeking their own answers to satisfy that internal longing.

Acts 17:23 *For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, **TO THE UNKNOWN GOD.** Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. ²⁴ God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; ²⁵ Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; ²⁶ And **hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth**, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; ²⁷ **That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:** ²⁸ For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.*

God has called you to reach and teach His people. Then they will both experience Jesus and Grow in His knowledge.

I. Jesus commanded us to Go

Mark 16:15 *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

II. God commanded us to Sow

Luke 6:38 RSV *give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."*

Philippians 4:16 *For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity. ¹⁷ Not because I desire a gift: but **I desire fruit that may abound to your account.** ¹⁸ But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God. ¹⁹ **But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.***

2 Corinthians 9:6 *But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. ⁷ Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work*

III. God commanded us to Lead the Charge

- **God does not change His mind regarding you**

Romans 11:29 *For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.*

Romans 10:13 *For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. ¹⁴ How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? ¹⁷ **So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.***

1. Every believer is a full-time minister!

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.* ¹⁸ *And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;* ¹⁹ *To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.*

Mark 16:17 *And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;* ¹⁸ *They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*---²⁰ *And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.*

2. All are called to grow and give out!

Ephesians 4:14 *That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;* ¹⁵ **But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:** ¹⁶ *From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.*

3. Some are called to 5-fold ministry.

Jeremiah 1:4 *Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,* ⁵ **Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.** ⁶ *Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.* ⁷ *But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.* ⁸ *Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.* ⁹ *Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.* ¹⁰ *See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.*

Ephesians 4:11 *And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;* ¹² *For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:*

4. Some faithful believers are called to teach!

2 Timothy 2:1 *Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.* ² **And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.**

5. Followers made effective leaders

2 Thessalonians 3:6 **NKJV** *But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us.* ⁷ **For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you;**

Hebrews 13:17 *Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.* ¹⁸ *Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.*

1 Thessalonians 5:12 *And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;*

TODAY IS YOUR DAY! - Is God calling you?

1. Are you hungry for God's Word and personal growth more than you are receiving?
2. Are you sensing a calling from God to a five-fold office gift ministry?
3. Are you passionate to teach others God's Word?
4. Are you wanting to be trained for Servant Leadership?
5. Are you pursuing God to be a Licensed Minister?