

God's Two Forces of Missions

How God works to accomplish His Mission

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Which of these looks like a mission field?



A



B

What makes a place a mission field is not its distance from civilization, but the distance of the people from worshipping Jesus.



**“Be still, and know that I am God!
I will be honored by every nation.
I will be honored throughout the
world.”**

- Psalm 46:10



"For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My name shall be great among the Gentiles; In every place incense shall be offered to My name, And a pure offering; For My name shall be great among the nations," Says the LORD of hosts.

- Malachi 1:11



After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands.

- Revelations 7:9



**God has always been working to
be known by all nations. And
throughout history, God has used
two major forces to accomplish
His Mission.**

God's Attractive Force

- Pulling the nations to the source of the blessing and salvation.
- Works on the principle of COME
- God does things that makes people COME to seek and know HIM
- This is considered as God's passive approach



Come

Examples in Scripture

- The Temple: filled with God's glory to attract all nations
- Ruth
- Naaman
- Solomon's wisdom was a major attraction to the nations to come and experience the God that gives such wisdom

God's Expansive Force



Go

- Sending of God's people to take the blessing to the nations
- Works on the principle of GO
- God does things that makes HIS people GO to nations who may not even be seeking Him, and make Himself known through them
- This is considered God's Active force

Examples in Scripture

- Joseph
- Daniel
- Esther
- Jonah
- Paul

A person is seen from behind, wearing a plaid shirt, holding an open Bible high above their head with both hands. The background is a vast, hazy mountain landscape under a cloudy sky. The overall tone is inspirational and spiritual.

Is God's Mission dependent on volunteerism?

What would happen if nobody volunteered to become missionaries?

Voluntary Go

God's mission, carried out by people who willingly agreed to **go** and make Him known among the nations.

- Abraham
- Paul
- Most modern day missionaries

Involuntary Go

God's people sent out or scattered into the nations involuntarily, but in their going, God still accomplished His mission. In some cases, God orchestrated their going

- Joseph
- Daniel
- Persecuted Church
- Many new types of missionaries who haven't figured out

Reflections

- Could God be orchestrating some involuntary goings by scattering Godly evangelical nations through circumstances such as war, famine and persecution?

Think Ukraine.

- Is our generation taking note of all the attractive forces of God working to draw the nations to the Gospel?

Think the mass migration of Arabs following the Arab Spring.

- Is God executing another massive sending of the Nigerian Church through the current mass Japa movement?



Caution

- **God has always been at work through History, and He is still at work right now. You need to open your eyes and tune your ears so that you can see God at work in the everyday happenings around you.**
- **Don't waste the move of God. You may be where you are just as an execution of God's expansive force. What would you do about the opportunities that God is opening your eyes to?**
- **God may have lifted you as an attractive force, and through the things you do, the nations are attracted to you just like Solomon. Don't make the mistake to think it's about you.**



**Remember, civilization or the lack of it
doesn't define mission fields. The worship of
Jesus does.**

**You just might be in a mission field and may
not notice. Open your eyes.**



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