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Getting Started with a Warm-Up:

• At the Great Commission, Jesus commanded his disciples:

"Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations (Or all people), baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (Mt. 28:19-20 NLT)

With that said, what factors do you suppose are holding back followers of Christ in performing missionary work domestically and internationally?

• If you have had the opportunity to be involved in a long-term or short-term mission assignment can you please share how the experience affected your walk with God.

Getting Down to Business:

The following questions are following this format: Scripture/Observation, Application, and Prayer (SOAP).

1) Scripture/Observation:

A. Read Acts 4:1-12. What other evangelistic events in the New Testament provide examples of missionary-type work? How do these examples give further evidence that the gospel message of salvation is exclusively through Jesus and is vital for everyone to know?

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B. Read Luke 15:3-7. Describe how important it is that we have a heart for individuals who are lost and separated from the love of God. What should be our motivation for searching for these lost individuals? (Hint: Contrast what our motivation should be to that of "missionaries" who have a false gospel.)

C. Read 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1. How does missionary work glorify God? In what way does Jesus provide the ultimate missionary example?

2) Application: How do you think MBC can be more involved in missions? How do you think you personally could be more involved in missions? (Hint: support through tithing [eg. Compassion International, Samaritan's Purse], invite missionaries as guest speakers, and participate in local outreach events and short-term mission trips)

3) Prayer: As you pray to God make these requests: for him to stir your heart for those lost and in need of Christ; that he will place individuals in your path so you can testify in the name of Christ; and to lead you towards making disciples.

"God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him". (John 3:17 NLT)