

**"... Missions: Why Are We Here?"**

(John 4:1-42)

**I. Introduction:**

- A. The **Conclusion**: Missions Emphasis Month
- B. The **Commencement**: Missions Emphasized Life
- C. The **Context**: Metanarrative of Scripture
  - Creation
  - Fall
  - Redemption
  - Restoration/Consummation

**II. Exposition: John 4:1-42**

- A. The Missionary Heart of God, the **Written** Word
  - 1. The Mandate for World Evangelization
    - Genesis 12:1-4
    - Psalm 2:8
    - Isaiah 49:6
    - Matthew 28:18-20
    - Acts 1:8
    - Revelation 5:9-10
  - 2. The Message for World Evangelization
    - 1 Corinthians 15:3-8
    - Galatians 1:6-9
  - 3. The Model for World Evangelization
    - Galatians 3:8
    - Philippians 2:5-8
  - 4. The Might for World Evangelization
    - Acts 1:8
    - 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

**B. The Missionary Heart of God, the **Living** Word**

- 1. The Mandate for Personal Evangelism
  - John 4:4, 28-29
- 2. The Message for Personal Evangelism
  - John 4:10, 16-18, 21-24
- 3. The Model for Personal Evangelism
  - John 4:27
- 4. The Might for Personal Evangelism
  - John 4:1-4
  - Matthew 4:1/Mark 1:12/Luke 4:1
  - John 8:29/John 17:4

**III. Conclusion: The Harvest (John 4:35)**

- The Movie
- The Missions Mandate

**Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:**

- 1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What's your keeper?)
- 2. Why is it important to know and remember the metanarrative of Scripture? What happens if we do not?
- 3. Compare what was shared about the Bible, the written Word of God, what we see of Jesus in John 4, the Living Word of God. How do they parallel each other and give the same message?
- 4. Why is it so important that we, as Christians, make sure that we do not change the message of the gospel (truth) while at the same time making sure that we do change how we present that message to various cultures (contextualization)?
- 5. What stuck out to you from the movie and the missions mandate that were presented in the conclusion?
- 6. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: "In light of these passages and this discussion, I will ..." (What is your action point?)