

TILL ALL HAVE HEARD

One of the greatest tasks that Christians face is to make Jesus known to the world. It's not that the world has not heard about Jesus but that they do not know the Jesus of the Bible. John 1:10 says; *"He was in the world and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him."* The world did not and does not know Him as Creator or as Savior. We need to tell people about Him **because:**

1. Knowledge about salvation cannot be discovered intuitively. 1 Cor. 2:14 tells us; *"For the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, nor can he know them because they are spiritually discerned."* People must be told or discover it in the Bible for themselves. Even then, without the quickening of God's Spirit, they can not understand it. We need to interpret the scriptures for them.
2. They do not know that a relationship with God is possible. They must be told that a relationship is possible but, only to those who have been "born again." It is because of what Jesus did on the cross that this relationship becomes available. In John 14:6 Jesus says; *"No man comes to the Father except by me."* We need to tell people about the cross.
3. The biblical facts about Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection must be told to unbelievers in order for them to believe. The Apostle Paul says In I Cor. 15:1-4 that this is the essence of the Gospel. Rom. 10:14 declares; *"How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard. And how shall they hear without a preacher?"* (a 'proclaimer'). Someone must tell them.
4. They need to know that 'being good enough' is not enough. It's not a matter of 'good works.' It's not how you compare with someone else morally. Rom. 6:23 tells us the consequence of sin and the gift God has given to escape that fate; *"For the wages of sin is death, but salvation is the gift of God through Jesus Christ."*
5. It is God's plan for spreading the Good News. God has no other backup plan. He did not choose the angels, He chose us. In Acts 1:8 He said; *"You shall be My witnesses."* The word 'witness' means 'martyr.' In other words we must be willing to die so that others might know about Jesus.

Someone has written:

He has no hands but our hands,
He has not feet but our feet,
He has no mouth but our mouth.

Have you told someone about Jesus lately?

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS!