Missionaries – Part 7

Jesus: The Master of Missions

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on Missionaries. Our topic today: Jesus, the Master of Missions.

Scripture Theme Song: "You are a Chosen Generation" (1 Peter 2:9)

1) The promise of a missionary to come
   a) Isaiah 61:1 (quoted by Jesus in the synagogue – Luke 4:18)
   b) Isaiah 42:1,6,7
2) The universal scope of the mission of Jesus
   a) John 1:29
   b) Luke 2:10-11
   c) Luke 2:29-32
   d) Luke 3:4-6
   e) Luke 19:10
   f) How should the universal scope of the mission of Jesus affect the way we look at our mission assignment?
3) Mission to the Jews
   a) Matthew 10:5-6
   b) Did Jesus show preference to the Jews? (Matt. 15:24)
   c) Why did Jesus tell His disciples to begin with Jerusalem and Judea (predominantly Jewish)? Acts 1:8
   d) Should we also begin our mission work by focusing on the Jews, or is there is deeper principle here?
4) Mission to the Gentiles
   a) Matthew 5:13
   b) Matthew 5:14
   c) Mark 14:9
   d) Acts 1:8 – "and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
   e) Matthew 24:14
5) The Great Commissions given by Jesus
   a) Matthew 28:18-20
   b) Mark 16:15-20
   c) Luke 24:46-49
   d) John 20:19-21
   e) Acts 1:8
6) The immensity of the task
   a) How large was the Christian church when Jesus ascended to heaven?
   b) What significant challenges did they face?
      i) Numbers, Languages, Lack of experience
      ii) Hostility from Jews and pagans
   c) How did the events on the Day of Pentecost change their perspective on their mission assignment? Acts 2:1-13; Acts 2:14-21; Acts 2:36-41.
7) Personal testimonies
   a) Share your experience in missions. What are some of the challenges you faced?
   b) How did you see God work in supernatural ways?