

OUR OBLIGATION TO THE WORLD
(Romans 1:14-16; 3 John 1:7-8)

- I. The Difference Between a “MISSIONARY” and a “WITNESS”
 - A. ALL BELIEVERS are “witnesses”
 - 1. By Christ’s COMMAND (Mark 16:15)
 - 2. By Christ’s APPOINTMENT (Acts 1:8)
 - B. SOME BELIEVERS are missionaries (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 13:1-4)
 - 1. By the CALLING of GOD
 - 2. By the COMMISSIONING of the CHURCH
 - a. PIONEER church-planting/evangelistic ministry
 - b. SUPPORT ministries for evangelistic works
 - c. HOME mission works
 - C. Is God calling ME to GO?
 - 1. SOME are obligated to GO
 - 2. The REST are obligated to SUPPORT them
- II. Our OBLIGATION to Those Who GO (3 John 1:7-8)
 - A. We must support them in PRAYER (2 Cor. 1:11)
 - 1. We must know their NEEDS

- a. Their FAMILY needs
 - b. Their PERSONAL needs
 - c. Their SPIRITUAL needs
 - d. Their FINANCIAL needs
 - e. Their FIELD needs
2. We must REMEMBER to PRAY
- B. We must support them in FINANCE (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 8:1-3, 16-24; cf. Phil. 4:15-19)
- 1. We do that through REGULAR GIVING
 - a. Determine HOW MUCH you will give
 - b. Give it and TRUST GOD to meet your needs
 - 2. We provide honoraria sufficient for their EXPENSES when they VISIT
 - 3. We provide HOSPITALITY while they are here

III. Conclusions

- A. We need to pray God will CALL WORKERS to the field
- B. We need to be prepared to help SUPPORT those He calls
- C. We need to make WORLD EVANGELISM a higher priority than PERSONAL COMFORT