

PRINCIPLES FOR MISSIONS SUPPORT
(3 John 1:5-8)

- I. REASONS for Supporting Missions (3 John 1:7)
 - A. The missionary's PURPOSE
 - 1. They WENT OUT (cf. Acts 15:40)
 - 2. They went for the SAKE of "the NAME"—that is, the LORD JESUS
 - a. Their MOTIVE is Christ's GLORY
 - b. Their MESSAGE is Christ's GRACE
 - B. The missionary's NEED
 - 1. They offer the gospel WITHOUT CHARGE
 - 2. They accept NOTHING from the UNBELIEVERS
 - 3. FINANCIAL support from BELIEVERS is vital

- II. RESPONSIBILITY for Supporting Missions (3 John 1:6)
 - A. WHAT we are to do—SEND them on their WAY
 - 1. We provide FOOD and MONEY for personal and ministry needs
 - 2. We provide HOSPITALITY when near us
 - 3. We provide PRAYER while they are ministering

B. HOW we are to do it—in a manner WORTHY of GOD

1. They are God's REPRESENTATIVES

2. They are doing God's WORK

III. RESULTS from Supporting Missions (3 John 1:8)

A. We OBEY God's COMMAND

B. We PARTIPATE in their WORK

C. We SHARE in their REWARD