

SIGNIFICANT IMPACT OF THE CHURCH TO THE NATIONS

THEME: BRINGING THE GOSPEL TO EVERY PEOPLE GROUP

TEXT: Matt 24:14

“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.” NIV

INTRODUCTION

This verse will answer the question when will the end come. We are an important ingredient in hastening it or delaying it. Which one are we contributing to?

FACTS:

- **Global Summary:** “Go therefore, and make disciples of all the nations (peoples)” Jesus said it 2,000 years ago. **Where do we stand today?** (Source: Joshua Project: A ministry of the U.S. Center for World Mission)

Total People Groups

- # People Groups 16,350
- # Unreached People Groups 6,648
- % of Unreached People Groups 40.7 %

Total Individuals

- World Population 6.70 billion
- Population in Unreached People Groups 2.75 billion
- % Population in Unreached People Groups 41.0 %

- Nations are composed of different people groups or ethnic groups. Genesis 10 (Table of Nations)

Examples:

1. The Philippines (Source: <http://www.joshuaproject.net/countries.php>)

- Population 89,622,000
- Total People Groups 190
- Unreached People Groups 21

2. Canada

- Population 32,837,000
- Total People Groups 156
- Unreached People Groups 16

FORTY YEARS AFTER CHRIST LEFT, THEY REACHED THE NATIONS

- Rom 1:8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. NIV
- Col 1:5-6 All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth. NIV

THE CONTINUING TASK TODAY...

1. TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM TO TRANSFORM A NATION

- What is the Gospel of the Kingdom? 1 Corinthians 15:3-5 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the twelve. NIV
- **The significant impact:** *"Righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach to any people."* Acts 2:5-41

2. TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM AS A WITNESS TO ALL NATIONS

- Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my **witnesses** in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." NIV
- 1 John 5:10-12 **And this is the testimony:** God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. NIV
- **The significant impact:** Matthew 24:14 *And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.* NIV Revelation 7:9 *"After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands."* NIV

WHAT CAN WE DO AS A CHURCH TODAY AND CONTINUE THE TASK OF WORLD EVANGELISM?

1. ADOPT A PRAYING ATTITUDE AND SET A DEFINITE TIME DAILY TO PRAY FOR THEIR EVANGELIZATION:

- a. A specific nation
- b. A specific people group

2. ADOPT A MISSION MINDED ATTITUDE AND SUPPORT MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES

- a. Pray for the harvest and the missionaries doing it.
- b. Give faithfully to the missions

3. ADOPT A BURDEN FOR "ALL PEOPLES" OF THE WORLD AND BECOME A WITNESS FOR JESUS

- a. See the world with God's eyes
- b. Have compassion for the lost

CONCLUSION

97% of the world has heard of coke-a-cola

72% of the world has seen a can of coke-a-cola

51% of the world has tasted a can of coke-a-cola

Coke has only been around 80 years (1984).

If God had given the task of world evangelization to the Coke company it would probably be done by now. [Source Unknown.](#)