

The Mission to the Unreached Gentiles

Romans 15:14-21 -- 12/06/2015

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¹⁴ Now I myself am confident concerning you, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

¹⁵ Nevertheless, brethren, I have written more **boldly** to you on some points, as reminding you, because of the grace given to me by God, ¹⁶ that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the **Gentiles**, ministering the gospel of God, that the **offering** of the **Gentiles** might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. ¹⁷ Therefore I have reason to glory in Christ Jesus in the things which **pertain** to God. ¹⁸ For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has **NOT** accomplished through me, in word and deed, to make the **Gentiles** obedient — ¹⁹ in mighty signs and wonders, **by the power of the Spirit of God**, so that from Jerusalem and round about to Illyricum I have **fully preached the Gospel of Christ**. ²⁰ And so I have made it my **AIM** to preach the Gospel, **NOT** where Christ was named [already], lest I should build on another man's foundation, ²¹ but as it is written:

“To whom He was not announced, they shall see;
And those who have not heard shall understand.”

The Great Commission → the apostle Paul is seeking to **Remind** us of our **MISSION**:

(“**nations**” → **ethné** → **Gentiles** → all ethnic, people groups that are not Israel (of their 12 tribes)
→ peoples, nations, tongues, and tribes ... **Example**: Gaelic People Groups, Cherokee People, Navaho, Han Chinese, Basque, Albanian, Anglo-Celt, Finno-Ugric, etc. “people groups”)

The Great Commission:

¹⁸ Then Jesus came near and said to them, “**All AUTHORITY has been given to Me in heaven and on earth**. ¹⁹ **GO, THEREFORE**, [or “As you are Going”] and make disciples of **ALL NATIONS**, baptizing them in the **NAME** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe [obey] **everything I have commanded you**. And remember, **I am with you ALWAYS, to the end of the age.**” Matthew 28:18-20 [HCSB]

Web Links for more research:

<http://www.imb.org> --- <http://www.pioneers.org/go> --- <http://www.peoplegroups.org>
http://joshuaproject.net/people_groups

1. A **Healthy Local Church** is ready for **Mission**, the **Great Commission** (Romans 15:14)
[Paul wrote all of the book of Romans, up to this point, to get them ready for this . . .]
2. Paul uses himself and his years of Ministry as an **Example** for them . . . (Romans 15:15-21)
[if God can use him (Paul), then, certainly, God can use that little church in Rome]
3. What does the Phrase “**The Obedience of the Faith of the Gentiles**” imply?
(see Romans 1:5; 15:16-18)
4. What, specifically, is Paul's **Aim**, **Goal**, and **Passion** in Serving Christ? (Romans 15:18-21)
Should this “aim” be ours, as well?