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Acts 14:26-27

From there they sailed to Antioch (in Syria), where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.

²⁷ Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. ²⁸ So they stayed there a long time with the disciples.



PAUL'S FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY

- City
- One of the "Seven Churches" - Rev. 2-3
- Paul's Route →





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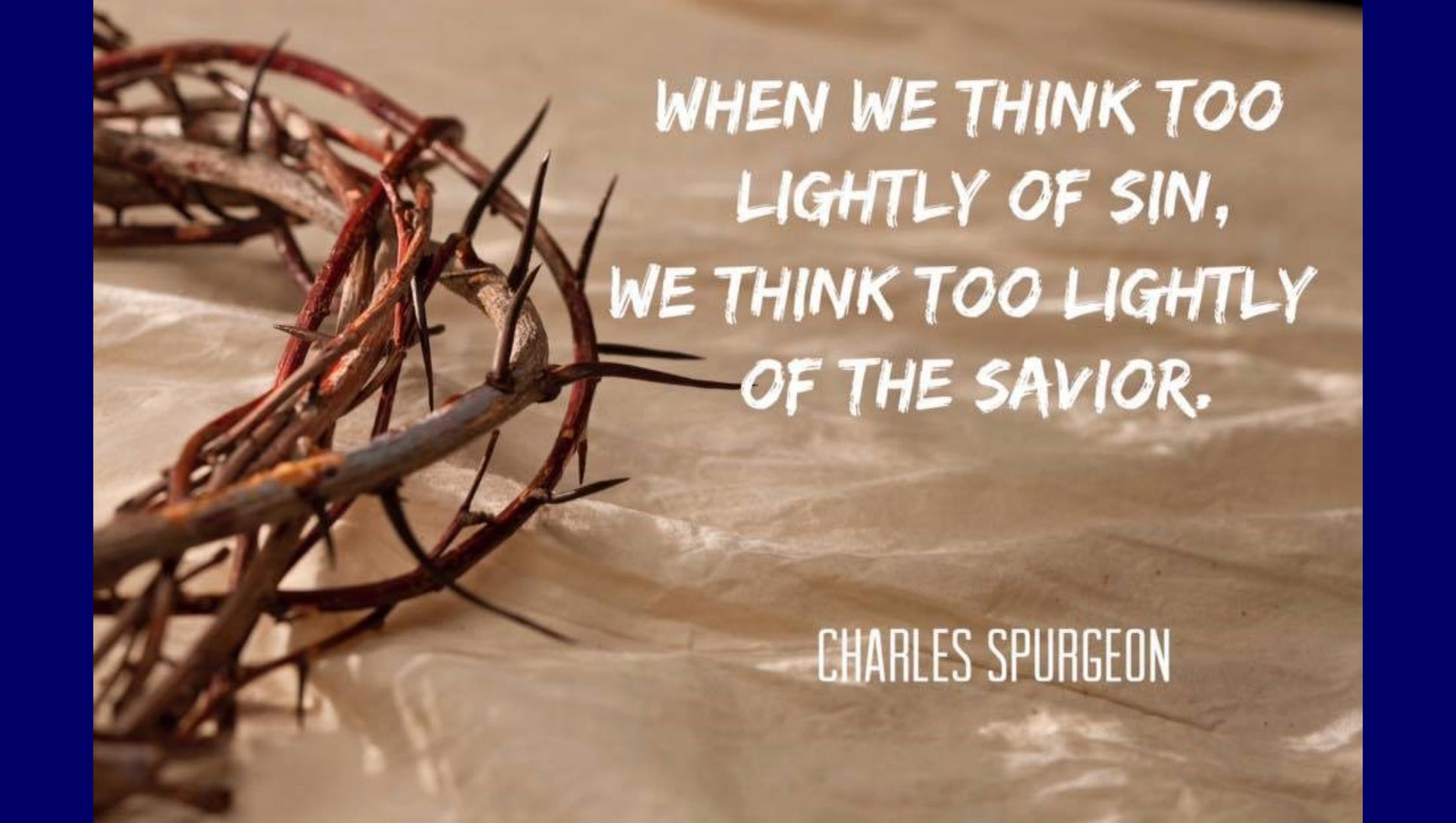
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- a) **we are God's Creation, Created in the Image AND Likeness of God (Genesis 1 & 2) → DIGNITY and WORTH in God's Sight**
- b) **we became sinners because of Adam & Eve's sinful rebellion (Genesis 3; Rom. 1-5) → All Humans have inherited this Sinful Infection**
- c) **Our sinfulness separates us from God, and God's Wrath/Judgment abides on us. We have already been sentenced, as the human race, Guilty of Sin and Judged (Isaiah 59:1-3; John 3:16-20; 36; Romans 5:12)**

A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns, made of dark, sharp, and intertwined branches, resting on a white, wrinkled fabric. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light brown color. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

WHEN WE THINK TOO
LIGHTLY OF SIN,
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OF THE SAVIOR.

CHARLES SPURGEON

OUR SINFUL DEPRAVITY – because of Adam & Eve’s sinful rebellion:

Romans 3:23 → for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God

Romans 5:12 → Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned

Isaiah 59:1-3 → Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. ² But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear. ³ For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue has muttered perversity.

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John 3:18-20 → ¹⁸“He who believes in Him (*in Jesus*) is not condemned; BUT he who does not believe IS CONDEMNED ALREADY, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.”

John 3:36 → He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

Thus → Because of Adam and Eve’s Sin, ALL of Humanity, that is outside of Christ, is already Condemned, in Adam’s Sin. God’s Wrath or the FUTURE SENTENCE of God’s Holy WRATH is already on them.

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“The depravity of man is at once the most empirically verifiable reality but at the same time the most intellectually resisted fact.”

— Malcolm Muggeridge

A photograph of John MacArthur, an older man with white hair and glasses, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and red tie. He is standing at a podium, gesturing with his hands as if speaking. The background is dark and out of focus.

Satan continues his efforts to make sin less offensive, heaven less appealing, hell less horrific and the Gospel less urgent.

John MacArthur

The Apostle Paul said, “For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the **POWER of God** unto **SALVATION** for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek (Gentile).”
Rom. 1:16

The Apostle Paul, also, said, “This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to **SAVE SINNERS**, of whom I am chief.”

1 Timothy 1:15

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 - i) Jesus, of Nazareth, the fulfillment of Messianic Prophecies in the Word of God → THE MESSIAH of ISRAEL**
 - ii) Jesus Christ, lived a perfect, holy, righteous, sinless life & taught the Word of God → the PERFECT PROPHET of GOD**

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iv) Jesus Christ is God's SACRIFICIAL "LAMB" for humanity's sin
(Isaiah 52:13-53:12)

He was crucified, He died upon the cross for our SINS.

He was buried. 3 days and nights later – He rose from the dead – victorious → 1 Cor. 15:1-9; Romans 5:8

Jesus paid the price of ALL SIN for ALL humans since Adam until the last person that will be born on planet earth –

ALL SINS PAID for → past, present, and future.

(2 Cor. 5:21; Col. 2:13-14; 1 Pet. 2:24; 3:18; Heb. 7:27; 9:12,26; 10:10-12)

His Name will be called Jesus (Yeshua) – because HE will SAVE His people from their SINS ... Matthew 1:18-25 (from the Angel Gabriel to Joseph)

**“Behold the LAMB of GOD, who TAKES AWAY the SIN of the WORLD”
John 1:29 (a quote for John, the Baptist)**

²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. 1 Corinthians 5:21

**and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.
1 Peter 2:24**

¹⁸ For Christ also died for sins ONCE FOR ALL, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit - 1 Peter 3:18

Hebrews 7:27

who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He (*Jesus*) did **ONCE FOR ALL** when He offered up Himself.

Hebrews 9:12

and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place **ONCE FOR ALL**, having obtained eternal redemption.

Hebrews 9:26

Otherwise, He would have needed to suffer often since the foundation of the world; **BUT NOW ONCE** at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the **SACRIFICE** of Himself.

Hebrews 10:10-12 (regarding our benefit from Christ's one-time sacrifice)

By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ → ONCE FOR ALL.

¹¹ Every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins; ¹² BUT He (*Jesus*), having offered ONE SACRIFICE FOR SINS FOR ALL TIME, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD

Full Payment for All Sins – happened ONCE in all of HISTORY

ONCE for ALL (for all humans)

ONCE for ALL TIME (past, present, future)

This DOES NOT Mean that all humans will be Saved in Christ.

It DOES Mean that Christ DID Pay for all the sins of all humans since Adam.

Implications: Salvation must be received, personally, and individually ...

John 1:12-13



**YOU AND I MUST CONTINUE TO DRIVE AT MEN'S
HEARTS TILL THEY ARE BROKEN; AND THEN
WE MUST KEEP ON PREACHING CHRIST
CRUCIFIED TILL THEIR HEARTS ARE BOUND UP**

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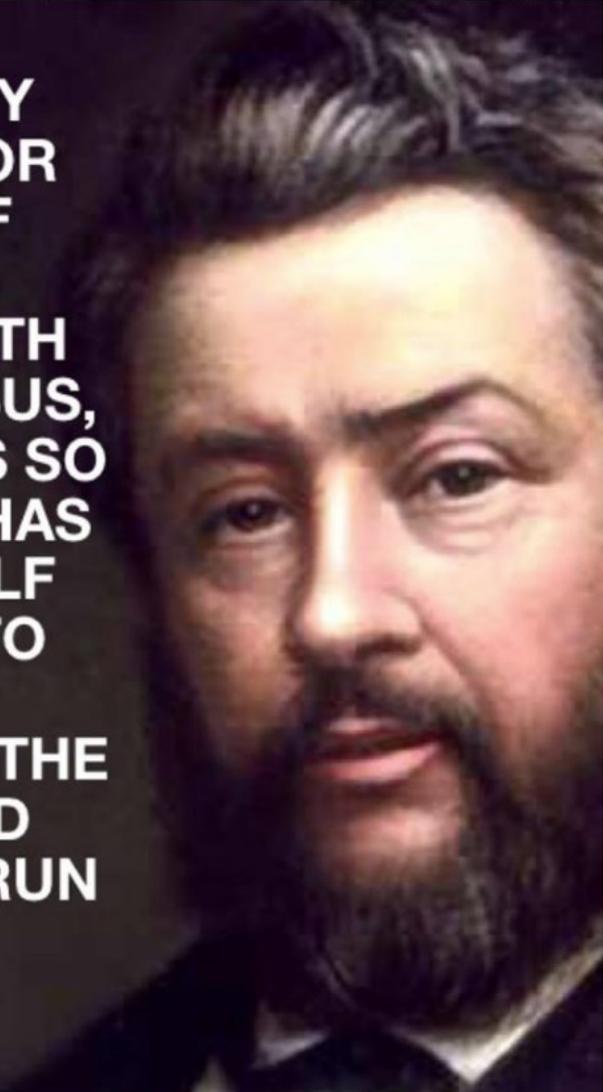
iv) Individual Sinners must Receive Christ – by Repentance of our sin and Trust in Jesus Christ and His Finished Work of Redemption (John 1:12-13)
(Acts 2:38-42; 11:18; 14:30-31; 20:20-21; 1 Cor. 15:1-5; Rom. 10:8-13; Eph. 1:13-14)

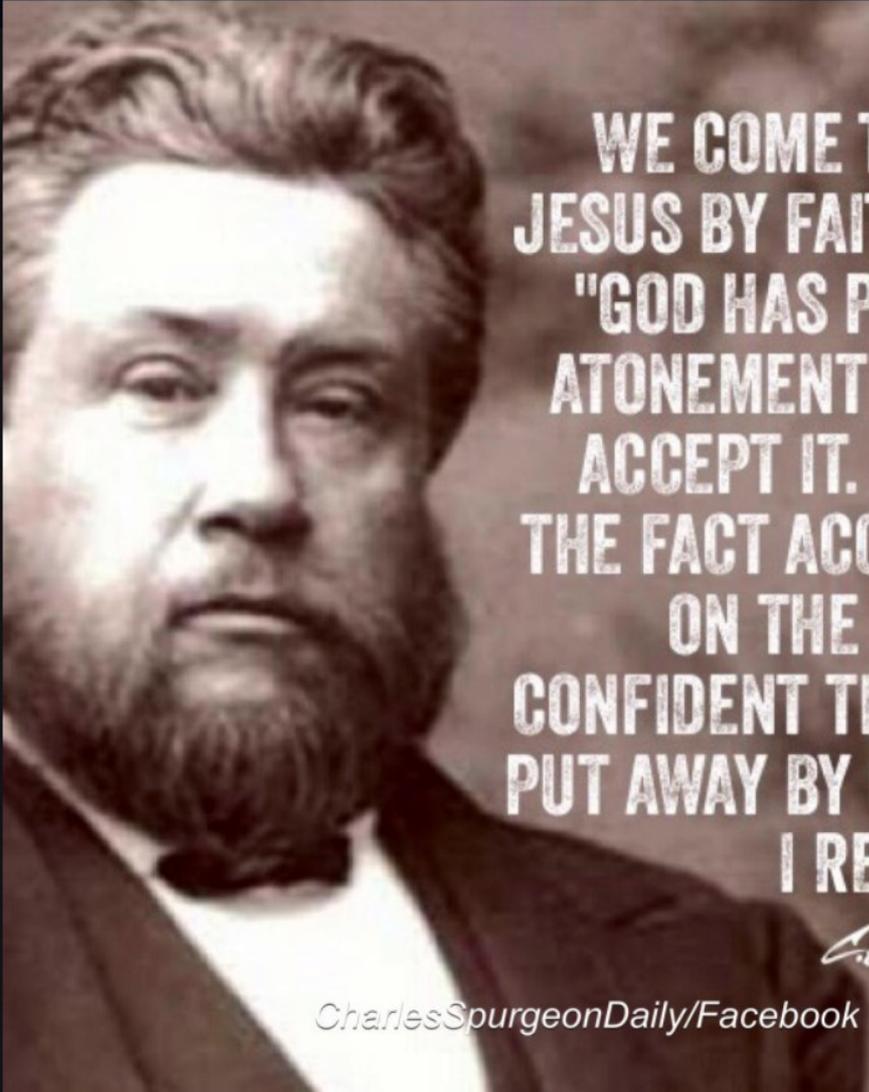
**Acts 20:20-21: “how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house, ²¹ testifying to Jews, and also to Gentiles, REPENTANCE toward God
- AND - FAITH toward our LORD Jesus Christ.”**

Acts 14:30-31: “Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but NOW commands ALL humans EVERYWHERE to REPENT, ³¹ BECAUSE He has appointed a day on which He will JUDGE the world in righteousness by the Man (*i.e. Jesus Christ*) whom He has ordained. He has given ASSURANCE of this to all by RAISING Him from the dead.”

FYI: Psalm 96 & 98 – end with “He is coming back to judge the world in righteousness” ... this is not something new

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SPURGEON**



A black and white portrait of Charles Spurgeon, a man with a full beard and mustache, wearing a dark suit jacket, a white shirt, and a dark bow tie. He is looking slightly to the right of the camera with a serious expression.

**WE COME TO THE LORD
JESUS BY FAITH, AND SAY,
"GOD HAS PROVIDED AN
ATONEMENT HERE, AND I
ACCEPT IT. I BELIEVE IN
THE FACT ACCOMPLISHED
ON THE CROSS; I AM
CONFIDENT THAT SIN WAS
PUT AWAY BY CHRIST, AND
I REST ON HIM."**

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2. Missions – The Great Commission ... Spreading the Gospel all over the World

Matthew 24:14; 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:44-47; Acts 1:8

Matt. 24:14 → This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.
(“nations” → ethné → people groups, linguistic groups, ethnic groups)

Matthew 28:18-20: And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

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Mark 16:15: And He said to them, “Go into all the world and Preach the Gospel to all creation. (hint: all creation → ALL OF HUMANITY)

Luke 24:44-47: Now He said to them, “These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that ALL things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,⁴⁶ and He said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer (*i.e. crucified / killed*) and rise again from the dead the third day,⁴⁷ and that REPENTANCE for FORGIVENESS of SINS would be PROCLAIMED in His name to ALL the nations (ethné), beginning from Jerusalem.”

Acts 1:8 – “... but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”

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- i. Targets? → Sinners → The Lost → ethné → people groups - unreached (ethné – nations – Gentiles) ... Jews and Gentiles – who are lost
The Goal is not every single individual within every people group ...
... but – some disciples that are made from every people group
At least some disciples from every people, nation, tongue and tribe
(see Revelation 5:9-10 – NKJV renders it the best)**

- ii. How Long? According to Matthew 24:14 & 28:18-20 – the church is supposed to be doing The Great Commission UNTIL “the end of the age”
... The Age of the Gospel – The Age of Grace – The Church Age ... until the Rapture – The HARVEST Period of Time for the Church is until the Rapture, before the Great Tribulation starts (see Matt. 24:14-15)**

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- iii. Who's supposed to Spread the Gospel? → SAINTS ... Those who are SAVED ... ALL, truly, Biblical, Born-Again Christians are supposed to spread the Gospel to the lost around them – ALL**

An Example of Obedience even under threat of Persecution

Acts 11:19-21 (the were not ordained Missionaries or Apostles, but “ordinary” disciples of Jesus Christ)

So then those who were scattered because of the persecution that occurred in connection with Stephen made their way to Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except to Jews alone. ²⁰ But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who came to Antioch and began speaking to the Greeks also, preaching the LORD Jesus. ²¹ And the hand of the LORD was with them, and a large number who believed turned to the LORD.

Thus –WE are ALL supposed to EVANGELIZE (see also Acts 4:29-31)

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“IF SINNERS BE DAMNED,
AT LEAST LET THEM
LEAP TO HELL
OVER OUR DEAD BODIES.
AND IF THEY PERISH, LET
THEM PERISH WITH OUR
ARMS WRAPPED
AROUND THEIR KNEES.
IF HELL MUST BE FILLED,
LET IT BE FILLED IN THE
TEETH OF OUR EXERTIONS,
AND LET NO ONE GO
**UNWARNED
OR UNPRAYED FOR.”**

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**iv. What role are you fulfilling, now, regarding the Great Commission?
What is your part, now?**