

## Pillars of Church Health – Mission Mindedness

“How beautiful are the feet of those who announce the gospel of good things!” Ro 10:15 (HCSB)

**Text:** Romans 10:12-15

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**Topics:** Vision, Giving

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**Supplemental Text:** See passages below

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To develop mission mindedness,

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ God's Heart for the Nations (vs. 12-13)
  - a. We must have global hearts because God has a global heart. There is a thread of God's love for the nations found all throughout the Bible.
    - i. See Genesis 11:1-9, the scattering of nations through the Tower of Babel and the calling out of Abraham. Look specifically at God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 12:1-3.
  - b. This promise to Abraham comes to us in Jesus. (John 3:16; Galatians 3:29)
  
- 2) Announce the Gospel to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 14)
  - a. We must make sure that we proclaim the Gospel message, that, “Christ died for our sins... that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day...” (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)
  - b. It is not evangelism until this Gospel message is proclaimed.
  
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ the missionaries (15a)
  - a. We must support those who leave it all to go overseas.
  - b. What mission's ministries are you supporting regularly?
  
- 4) Avoid \_\_\_\_\_ feet (15b)
  - a. Quoted from Isaiah 52:7. It is the message of good news which those feet carry that is so welcome.
  - b. We must share the message ourselves.

## Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message.

- 1) What distinctions did Paul note in the way that Jews and Gentiles obtain their salvation? (10:12-13)
- 2) What does it take to get the message of God to someone? (10:14-15)
- 3) F. F. Bruce writes: "At an earlier stage in Paul's argument [Romans 3:22] the words 'there is no difference' had a grim sound, because they convicted Jew and Gentile together of sin against God."<sup>1</sup> How do these same words now have a joyful sound (Romans 10:11-13)?
- 4) William Carey, the father of modern missions, once proposed to a group of ministers that they discuss the implications of the Great Commission. Dr. John C. Ryland retorted: "Young man, sit down. When God pleases to convert the heathen, he will do it without your aid or mine!" How does Dr. Ryland's understanding of God's sovereignty mesh with Romans 10:14-15?
- 5) Realizing the implications of verses such as Romans 10:14-15, William Carey responded to God's call and went to India. To where do you feel called to go with the gospel?
- 6) What steps can you take (or have you taken) to be obedient to that call?
- 7) When could you spend extended time in prayer to bring before God those groups or peoples who have shown little interest in the gospel?
- 8) Who in your circle of friends and family needs to hear about God's plan of salvation? When?