

Mission Sunday (24-25 March 2018)

宣教日崇拜(周日)

Title: God directed Missions and Evangelism!

主題：上帝頒報宣教與佈道的使命

Text: Acts10:28-33 NLT

經文：徒10:28-30(和合本)

“Peter told them, “You know it is against our laws for a Jewish man to enter a Gentile home like this or to associate with you. **But God has shown me that I should no longer think of anyone as impure or unclean.** So I came without objection as soon as I was sent for. Now tell me why you sent for me.” Cornelius replied, “Four days ago I was praying in my house about this same time, three o’clock in the afternoon. Suddenly, a man in dazzling clothes was standing in front of me. He told me, ‘Cornelius, **your prayer has been heard, and your gifts to the poor have been noticed by God!** Now send messengers to Joppa, and summon a man named Simon Peter. He is staying in the home of Simon, a tanner who lives near the seashore.’ So I sent for you at once, and it was good of you to come. Now we are all here, waiting before God to hear the message the Lord has given you.””

10:28 就對他們說、你們知道猶太人、和別國的人親近來往、本是不合例的。但神已經指示我、無論甚麼人、都不可看作俗而不潔淨的。

10:29 所以我被請的時候、就不推辭而來。現在請問、你們叫我來有甚麼意思呢。

10:30 哥尼流說、前四天這個時候、我在家中守著申初的禱告、忽然有一個人、穿著光明的衣裳、站在我面前、

10:31 說、哥尼流、你的禱告、已蒙垂聽、你的賙濟、達到神面前已蒙記念了。

10:32 你當打發人往約帕去、請那稱呼彼得的西門來、他住在海邊一個硝皮匠西門的家裡。

10:33 所以我立時打發人去請你、你來了很好。現今我們都在神面前、要聽主所吩咐你的一切話。

Let me ask you - what is your ultimate goal in life ?

我們生命終極的目標是甚麼？

What is God directed mission?

上帝的宣教使命是甚麼？

The story of Cornelius

哥尼流的故事

- he was a centurion /gentiles (outsider)
- 他不過是一個外邦(局外人)的百夫長
- 3 things mentioned here about him and his family ;
- 關於他自己及其家庭的特點
 - He was Devout and God Fearing man

- 他是一個委身及敬畏神的人
- He was a Generous man and
- 他是一個慷慨的人
- He Prays Regularly
- 他努力不懈地禱告

1. God Directed Missions Requires Prayer

1.上帝宣教大使命需要委身禱告

Suddenly, a man in dazzling clothes was standing in front of me. He told me, 'Cornelius, **your prayer has been heard...**

忽然有一個人、穿著光明的衣裳、站在我面前、說、哥尼流、**你的禱告、已蒙垂聽、**

- Cornelius had a vision - an angel visited him and edifies him
- 哥尼流看見異象：一個天使前來並教導他

2. God Directed Missions Requires Giving

2.宣教大使命需要委身奉獻

Suddenly, a man in dazzling clothes was standing in front of me. He told me,

'Cornelius, **your prayer has been heard, and your gifts to the poor have been noticed by God!**

忽然有一個人、穿著光明的衣裳、站在我面前、說、哥尼流、**你的禱告、已蒙垂聽、你的賙濟、達到 神面前已蒙記念了。**

- **Your prayers and giving matters to God!**

3. God Directed Missions Requires Going

3.宣教大使命需要委身行動

Now send messengers to Joppa, and summon a man named Simon Peter. He is staying in the home of Simon, a tanner who lives near the seashore.' So I sent for you at once, and it was good of you to come. **Now we are all here, waiting before God to hear the message the Lord has given you.**"

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Many a times we are required to **Go Outside our Box!**

多少次我們被提醒要走出我們的「框框」

What does it mean?

這是甚麼意思？

- we all have certain boxes we live in..
- 每個人都有自己的「框框」
- Peter had a box- he being a Jewish person- they have pride that they only mix with their own people.. jewish people

- 彼得的「框框」是猶太人的身份，他們引以為傲的身份，因此亦祇與猶太人來往
- people other than the Jews will be considered unclean because the kind of food they eat , the kind of clothes they wear is different , the language they speak is diff , the gods the pray is diff ..
- 猶太人以外被視為不潔，因為外邦人的食物、衣着打扮、所講語言、禱告的神都與猶太不同。
- so they don't mix with them ..
- 所以猶太人決不與外邦人混在一起

Our life Missions will start when we respond to the heavenly Vision !

當我們回應從天而來的異象，我們生命的宣教使命就正式展開了

Conclusion:

結論

Where is God directing you to further His kingdom?

上帝指引你在哪處擴張祂的國度？

There is a Mission for each of us, whether you consider you're strong Christian, or weak one or don't care Christian - you still have a mission

在我們中間的使命，你認為自己是堅固抑或軟弱的基督徒？甚或你根本不在意自己是否基督徒？不管如何，你仍然需要面對宣教使命。

Matt 29:18-19

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Go and make discipleship of **all nations** ...

你們要去使萬民作我的門徒...

- In order to make disciples - we need to preach the good news first so they understand why they need Jesus
- 為履行使萬民作門徒的命令，首先我們需要傳揚福音，讓他們明白因何需要耶穌
- In order to follow Jesus, we need to teach them the Mission of Jesus
- 為了跟隨耶穌，我們需要教導主耶穌的大使命
- Like the story of Apostle Peter and Cornelius, you can response through praying and giving or even going..
- 猶如使徒彼得及哥尼流的事蹟，我們能夠以禱告、奉獻以至行動來回應

Story: My call to China

我的故事：被呼召到中國

- Mission is temporary but worship is eternal.
- 宣教使命是短暫有限的，敬拜使命卻是直到永恆的

Play Video- Ps. Vick Mission in China

播放 Pastor Vick 在中國的宣教故事