

# SERMON REFLECTIONS

## Missions Release: Arise and Shine

Acts 17:1-10a, Isaiah 60:1 | 14 January 2024 | Rev Dr Aaron Tay

### Reflection Questions

1. Read Acts 17 as a group. **Did the Lord impress upon your group any other truths/blessings/promises from this chapter that was not covered in the sermon? Please share.**
2. For those who have gone on mission trips, **share your missions experience.** (What did you do? What did you learn? How were you blessed?) Alternatively, share a story that you have heard regarding missions.
3. For those who have not gone on mission trips, if it is possible (the Lord making the way for you), where would you want to go? **What do you think you hope to do?**
4. In Matthew 9:35, it is written that “Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.”

Jesus clearly preached and taught God’s Word and God’s Will, but He also met the physical needs of the people – healing, even twice feeding them.

Even if you have not gone on mission trips before, **what do you think we can do to strike a balance between preaching the**

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**gospel and giving practical help** (e.g. giving of food packages), without those receiving mistakenly thinking that they can receive more help from us if they become Christians?

5. In Missions, there is:
  - a. The Joy of Preaching the Gospel, introducing the love of Jesus Christ
  - b. The Joy of seeing People coming to Christ!
  - c. The Joy of being a Peacemaker for God – bringing reconciliation

**Have you experienced any of the above joy(s) before (whether in missions or otherwise)? Share about it. Are there other Joys that we might find in Missions?**

6. As the church involves itself in missions, we will come face-to-face with a sinful hurting world. **Have you encountered sin or evil in the mission fields? Share about it.**

As a disciple group, take some time to pray against the sin and evil that you have discussed. Pray for God's blessings instead.

7. Challenge for the Disciple Group (DG) – consider being involved in Missions as a DG. Perhaps:
  - a. Stand in the Gap – pray for a particular mission need on regular basis.
  - b. Support – give your time, help, finances towards a certain mission cause.
  - c. Step Up and Out – plan to go for a mission trip together as a DG.

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## Missions Focus:

### Scan and watch:



[Video: Reaching the Unreached](#)

There are 3 billion people or more than 7,000 unreached people groups in the world who do not know Jesus today. What can we do about reaching the unreached?

### Pray:

1) God will raise up more workers to bring His hope to unreached people groups across the world.

2) We will reach out to the foreigners living among us with God's love.

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