

“Praying for the Nations”

Isaiah 56:3-8

Sermon Notes ♦ September 28, 2014

Introduction:

The Big Idea: A central purpose for the assembly of God’s people whenever they come together is prayer for the nations.

God declares that His house will be a house of _____.

“Is it not written, ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations’? But you have made it a ‘den of robbers.’”
- Mark 11:15-17

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“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me – just as the Father knows me and I know the Father – and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.”
- John 10:14-16

“I will make you a father of many nations.” – Genesis 17:5

“The LORD will lay bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God.”
- Isaiah 52:10

“And this gospel of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”
- Matthew 24:14

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”
- Matthew 28:18-20

“For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”
– Isaiah 53:12

“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”
- Luke 23:34

“Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.”
- Romans 10:1

God promises the _____ to His son as an _____.

“Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.”
- Psalm 2:8

“Kingdom-focused prayer asks for the nations as the promised inheritance of Christ and His Church.” – Dr. Archie Parrish

Obstacle 1: “It’s too overwhelming.”

Pray _____.

Obstacle 2: “But what do I pray about?”

Pray _____.

Obstacle 3: “But will my prayers really make any difference?”

Pray _____, not _____.

“The future of the Christian work which is now being carried on with such great intensity does not depend upon (methods) or organization. It depends upon whether the Spirit of God can persuade us to take up the work of prayer.” – Ole Hallesby