



Connect Study

Core Value #4 : MISSIONAL



2 Kings 6:24 – 7:20

Sermon Points

1. The desperate need for rescue (6:24-33) cf. Deuteronomy 28:45, 52-53
2. The astounding promise and means of rescue (7:1-2, 6)
3. The unlikely proclaimers of the rescue (7:3-15)
4. The Joy and Judgement of the rescue (7:16-20)

Discussion Starter

How do Christians, and the church, fight the temptation to be only inward looking?

From the Bible

1. Re-read the account in 2 Kings 6:24-7:20 and note again the sermon points.
2. Note Jesus's last command and how it should be our first priority.
(Matthew 28:18-20)
3. Note how the Apostle Paul was greatly concerned that more and more people come to know Jesus and grow in Jesus.
Cf. Corinthians 9:19-23 & 2 Corinthians 4:15



Think it through

1. How could you be used by Christ in your different spheres of influence?
2. How could we as a church connect more with our community for Jesus?

What it Means to Be Sent into the World

Jesus sends us into the world as he was sent into the world (John 17:18; 20:21). We have to penetrate other people's worlds, as he penetrated ours: the world of their thinking (as we struggle to understand their misunderstandings of the gospel), the world of their feeling (as we try to empathize with their pain), and the world of their living (as we sense the humiliation of their social situation, whether poverty, homelessness, unemployment or discrimination). *(John Stott)*



Pray

Prayer for the week: A general intercession

God, the creator and preserver of all mankind, we humbly implore You for all people everywhere, that You would be pleased to make Your ways known to them, Your saving power to all nations.

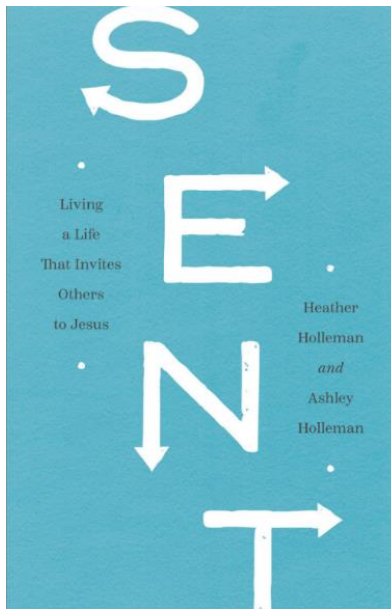
Especially we pray for Christ's holy church, that it may be so guided and governed by Your Spirit, that all who call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

Finally, we commend to Your fatherly goodness all those who are in any way afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body or circumstances, especially those known to us, or for whom our prayers are asked, that it may please You to comfort and deliver them, according to their different needs, giving them patience in their sufferings, and a blessed end to all their troubles. All this we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B084D4HT7J/?tag=gospelebooks-20>

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Missional

We are committed to bringing in Christ's lost sheep. Through word, deed, prayer and financial support we endeavour to share the gospel in our suburb and across the world. This will often mean using creative ideas and practical service.

(John 10:16)



Core values

Love
Service
Integrity
Missional
Intentional
Unity in diversity
Bible & gospel centred