

Leadership Group Guide /

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Leadership and Missions

WORD

(20 MINUTES)

... *"What God has made clean, do not call common."* **ACTS 10:15**

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations . . ." **MATTHEW 28:19**

". . . you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation . . ." **REVELATION 5:9**

Cornelius, a Roman centurion *who feared God*, sent for the Apostle Peter to speak to his household (Acts 10:2). Before Cornelius's men arrived, Peter had a vision of different "unclean" animals that Jews did not eat. A voice told Peter, *"What God has made clean, do not call common"* (Acts 10:15). This was in line with what Jesus had said: go and make disciples of *all nations*, and be His witnesses to the *end of the earth* (Matthew 28:19; Acts 1:8). That means not one person was excluded from the definition of who could and should be able to hear the gospel. So Peter baptized Cornelius's household, and later testified to the church, saying, *"who was I that I could stand in God's way?"* (Acts 11:17).

God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16). Whether they are on the other side of the world or in our own homes, in another part of the city or in the desk next to ours, each and every person on earth has been ransomed by the blood of Jesus, for God (Revelation 5:9). The heart of God for people has no limitations. As a result, salvation is open to everyone. With this perspective, we have been set in a mission field. We are meant to make disciples in our homes, campuses, workplaces, communities, and to the ends of the earth.

DISCUSSION

(50 MINUTES)

1. Where has God currently placed you? Who are the people God has placed you with? Describe the mission field God has placed you in.
2. What open doors and opportunities to preach the gospel are God showing you? How can you engage those in that particular mission field?
3. Would you consider praying for a nation regularly? How can you commit to praying, giving, and going to the nations this year?

PRAYER

(20 MINUTES)

1. Thank God for the mission field He has placed you in. Pray for a deeper understanding of His love that ransomed every person on earth for God by His blood. Pray that as you continue to seek Him, your heart will be transformed to extend His love to those in your mission field.
2. Pray that those in your Victory group will be transformed by the love of God for all nations, and boldly make disciples of those in their respective mission fields.
3. Pray that the church will fulfill Christ's command to go and make disciples of all nations. Pray that we will pray, give, and go to the nations to preach the gospel.



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This guide is designed to be used in leadership groups, for Victory group leaders to grow in discipleship and leadership development. The goal of these ninety-minute leadership group meetings is a discussion of the Word and its practical application as leaders.