

THE
MISSIONARY
MANDATE
for everyone

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*“Go ye into all the world and preach
the gospel to every creature.”*

Mark 16:15

“I go out as a missionary not that I may follow the dictates of common sense, but that I may obey that command of Christ, *“Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel.”* My going forth is a matter of obedience to a plain command; And in place of seeking to assign a reason for going abroad, I would prefer to say that I have failed to discover any reason why I should stay at home.” James Gilmour of Mongolia

**“And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into
the highways and hedges, and compel them to
come in, that my house may be filled.”**

Luke 14:23

Go out to the highways,
Heralds of the King;
Give out invitation,
And make trumpets ring:
The supper room is ready,
Millions die in their sins;
Go out on the highways,
Compel them come in.

**“Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then
cometh harvest? Behold I say unto you, Lift up
your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are
white already to harvest.”**

John 4:35

Press on in the harvest,
Reapers of the field;
The crops cry for workers,
But few meet their yield:
Say not “Four months wait us,”
Lift up eyes today;
See fields white to harvest,
Press on, work and pray.

**“He said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep,
and let down your nets for a draught.”**

Luke 5:4

Launch out on the ocean,
Fishers of the Lord;
Prepare nets for service,
The Captain is on board:
Why cling to the coastline?
Why anchor in the bay?
Launch out on the ocean,
Fish till break of day.

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things, whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”

Matthew 28:19-20

Go out to the nations,
Labourers for GOD,
Preach the peerless Gospel,
Wherever man has trod:
Tell out gracious tidings,
On all sea and land;
Go out to the nations,
Obey your Lord's command.

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