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# DAILY STUDY

P-E-A-C-E helps us stay in touch  
with the Word and with the Lord.

When you read the Bible, is there any **P**romise to claim or  
Praise to offer God? **E**xample to follow or avoid?  
**A**ction or **A**ttitude to adopt or change? **C**ommand to obey?  
**E**rror to avoid?

- Week of December 25**
- M. Matthew 28:19-20
  - T. John 3:1-3
  - W. John 3:16-18
  - T. 2 Peter 3:9b
  - F. Matthew 4:18-22
  - S. Matthew 28:19-20

- Week of January 22**
- M. Matthew 24:14
  - T. Acts 13:1-3
  - W. Acts 13:4-5
  - T. Acts 13:26-28
  - F. Acts 13:42-48
  - S. Matthew 24:14

- Week of January 1**
- M. Mark 10:45
  - T. Luke 4:16-19
  - W. John 4:4-15
  - T. John 4:25-26
  - F. Matthew 25:34-40
  - S. Mark 10:45

- Week of January 29**
- M. 2 Corinthians 6:2
  - T. Luke 16:19-21
  - W. Luke 16:22-25
  - T. John 21:15-16
  - F. Luke 16:26-31
  - S. 2 Corinthians 6:2

- Week of January 8**
- M. Isaiah 6:8
  - T. Isaiah 6:1-6
  - W. Isaiah 6:7-13
  - T. Romans 10:10-13
  - F. Romans 10:13-15
  - S. Isaiah 6:8

- Week of February 5**
- M. James 5:16
  - T. Luke 18:1-8
  - W. Luke 18:9-12
  - T. Luke 18:13-14
  - F. Mark 11:24
  - S. James 5:16

- Week of January 15**
- M. Acts 4:20
  - T. Acts 2:14-21
  - W. Acts 2:22-24
  - T. Acts 2:40-41
  - F. Acts 3:1-10
  - S. Acts 4:20

- Week of February 12**
- M. Revelation 22:12
  - T. Luke 19:11-14
  - W. Luke 19:15-21
  - T. Luke 22-26
  - F. Matthew 25:14-30
  - S. Revelation 22:12

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# Thank You Lord for One More Year



Happy New Year! Truly, it is a blessing to be able to say that. May this new year bring us joy, peace, love, grace, and happiness. May God *crown the year with His goodness; may His path drip with abundance* (Psalm 65:11 NKJV). Walking God's path means we surrender all to Him; we live a life of service to Him and to others. God wants abundance for us! Let us continue to walk His path by faith.



In all that we do and say, may we seek to do God's will: rejoicing always, praying continually and giving thanks in all circumstances (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18). Have you thanked God for this new year as yet? If your answer is no, pause for a moment and say, "Thank You Lord for one more year!"



*Thank You Lord for watching over us  
Through our trials You've made us victorious  
We praise Your name, most great and glorious  
Thank You Lord for one more year*



*A new year has come along  
Lord, give us Your wisdom and keep us strong  
To face all the things that come our way  
And make us one Lord we truly pray*

*Oh, we have been through good times and bad  
And in our sad times, You made us glad  
Because You were there, to see us through  
For this and other mercies Lord, we truly praise You*



*Thank you Lord for one more year*

The Grace Thrillers. "Thank You Lord." Christmas, VP Records, 1998©

## Dear Lord, I am thankful for ...



- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_



# Mission Possible



January 1  
**Understanding Mission**

January 8  
**Jesus: The Model  
for Mission**

January 15  
**Me, the Missioner**

January 22  
**Doing Mission at Home**

January 29  
**Doing Mission Abroad**

**Unit Overview:** God is a missionary God Who desires the salvation of all people. The Church is a missionary community. Each member is called to accept the mission that was Christ's—that the world through Him might be saved. Therefore, the Church must not see missions as a programme of the church, but its main function, to be carried out locally and abroad. In this Unit we will develop an understanding of mission using Jesus and the Early Church as our model.

**Unit Central Truth:** Every church is called to be on mission with Christ; every member is called to participate in that mission.

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# Understanding Mission

**Memory Verse** – “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising 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. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

## A Leaf FROM LIFE



Carol and Dionne were preparing for their Youth Fellowship executive retreat for the new year. Carol was president and Dionne was coordinator for outreach programmes. Dionne had been concerned about the level of involvement of the youth in the mission activities of the church. She prepared a proposal to share with Carol at the retreat about getting the Youth Fellowship involved in a mission project. The proposal was to start a Sunday School in their community to reach out to children who, for more than one reason, could not make it to church on a Sunday.

Dionne had personally sought the guidance of the pastor who encouraged the initiative. Carol did not like the idea. She found several reasons why the project would not work including finding the time and enough persons to volunteer. “I think that a project like that is more for the older members of the church. Let another group take up that idea,” Carol said. “Our mission is to keep the youth of the church interested in coming out to Youth Fellowship,” Dionne felt discouraged.

*What should Dionne do in light of Carol’s response to her proposal?*

*How is Carol’s view of mission different from Dionne’s?*

### Bible Focus

John 3:1-3, 16-18;  
Matthew 4:18-22;  
28:19-20

### CENTRAL TRUTH

God has called us to draw people into relationship with Him through putting their faith in Christ.

### CENTRAL TRUTH APPLICATION

How have I been an active follower of Jesus Christ by sharing my faith?

In what ways can I participate more deliberately in God’s mission to save all people?



# BIBLE FOCUS

## Introduction

**John 3:1-3, 16-18;**

**Matthew 4:18-22; 28:19-20**

In Jesus' encounter with Nicodemus, He shared that everyone needs to be 'born again' to be in a right relationship with God. Being born again happens when someone receives Jesus Christ, God's Son, Whom God sent to die for our sins, as Lord of one's life. All who believe in Jesus as Saviour, will have everlasting life with God (John 3:16-18). This message is the gospel of salvation.

Jesus invited others to participate in His mission beginning with Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John. Jesus called ordinary individuals to follow Him and to do as He did on Earth. This mission is summarised in Matthew 28:19-20, called the Great Commission.

The Church is made up of persons, each of whom has received Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Saviour. Each person is to participate in the mission to be a witness to the gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ.



## BIBLE SEARCH

**A.** Read **John 3:1-3, 16-18** and use the following words to fill the blank spaces: kingdom, believes, Jesus, Son, born again, loved, eternal, Nicodemus, condemned, perish, God, rabbi, world, save.

\_\_\_\_\_ was a Pharisee. He visited \_\_\_\_\_ at night and said "\_\_\_\_\_, we know You are a teacher Who has come from \_\_\_\_\_."

\_\_\_\_\_ replied, "No one can see the \_\_\_\_\_ of God without being \_\_\_\_\_." For God so \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ that He gave His

one and only \_\_\_\_\_, that whoever \_\_\_\_\_ in Him shall not \_\_\_\_\_ but have \_\_\_\_\_ life. God sent His Son to \_\_\_\_\_ the world through Him.

Whoever believes in Him is not \_\_\_\_\_.

**B.** Read **Matthew 4:18-22**. Number the events in the order in which they occurred.

- \_\_\_ a. They left the boat and their father and followed Jesus.
- \_\_\_ b. He saw Simon Peter and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the lake (sea).
- \_\_\_ c. Jesus invited James and John to follow Him.
- \_\_\_ d. "Come, follow me," Jesus said to them, "and I will send you out to fish for people."
- \_\_\_ e. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James and John.
- \_\_\_ f. Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee.
- \_\_\_ g. At once, they left their nets and followed Him.
- \_\_\_ h. James and John were in a boat with their father Zebedee preparing their nets.

# Personal Learning ACTIVITY



A. i. Jesus, in the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20), gave four instructions and a promise. What were they?

Instructions:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Promise:

\_\_\_\_\_

ii. How do Jesus' instructions and promise to the disciples then relate to Christians and their mission now?

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B. Reread **A Leaf from Life**. How is your idea of mission similar or different from God's idea of mission?

Your Idea of Mission: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

God's Idea of Mission: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## The Lesson and Me

Lord, help me to understand Your intention for mission and my role in it. Guide me as I read Your Word, pray and make myself available to You. Let me be a true follower living by Your example and answering Your call on my life. Help me to bring persons into a relationship with Christ by my life and witness. Lead me to do Your will here on Earth. Amen.

# Jesus: The Model for Mission

January 8

**Memory Verse** – *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.*

Mark 10:45 (NIV)

## A Leaf FROM LIFE



Ayesha was a very good singer. Soon after she got baptised, she joined her church choir and has been serving as a faithful member ever since. One day, Ayesha decided to go to Bible Study. Her Pastor, Rev. Johnson, was teaching about the difference between mission and ministry. He pointed out that often Christians participate in the various ministries of their church, such as being on the choir or a part of the dance group, handing out hot meals or even participating in community clean-ups, but never really participate in the mission of which Jesus called the Church to be a part. Ayesha was confused at first. She had not considered that there was a difference between the mission of the Church—to share the gospel of Christ, and the ministry of the church—to engage in acts of service. She considered for the first time that maybe she was a part of one and not the other. Ayesha decided to talk to her pastor more about it after Bible Study.

*In what ways do you think the mission of the Church could be different from the ministries of the church?*

*How are the mission of the Church and the ministry of the church related?*

### Bible Focus

Luke 4:16-19;  
John 4:4-15, 23-26;  
Matthew 25:34-40

**CENTRAL TRUTH**  
Jesus modelled the way we should go about leading others to faith in Him.

### CENTRAL TRUTH APPLICATION

How have I participated in the mission of Christ to lead others to Him?

In what ways can I model Jesus and make God's mission direct my life?



# BIBLE FOCUS

## Introduction

**Luke 4:16-19; John 4:4-15, 23-26;  
Matthew 25:34-40**

Jesus is the best example of a missionary. His life's mission was about spreading the gospel and ministering to those who were in need. This, He declared in the synagogue at Nazareth as He set out His mission based on Isaiah 61:1-2 (Luke 4:16:19).

Jesus used various opportunities to carry out the mission. When He sat to take rest at a well and met a Samaritan woman, He used an everyday need for water to open a conversation that would make the woman be aware of the need to satisfy her deep spiritual thirst. Based on this encounter with Jesus, the woman immediately became a missionary and introduced others to Christ.

In Matthew 25:34-40, Jesus taught that we will be rewarded in heaven based on our everyday acts of service and compassion to those in need. Jesus expects us to tend to the needs of others. When we add ministry to mission, it is then that we truly model Christ and live out His mission.



## BIBLE SEARCH

**A.** Read **John 4:4-15, 23-26**. Tick (✓) the appropriate box to indicate whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F).

T F

- 1. Jacob's well was near a town in Samaria..
- 2. Jesus was tired and sat by the well.
- 3. Jesus' disciples asked the Samaritan woman for a drink.
- 4. Whoever drinks the water Jesus gives them will be thirsty again.
- 5. The Samaritan woman wanted the water that Jesus offered her.
- 6. Jesus said, "God is spirit, and His worshippers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."
- 7. Jesus proclaimed Himself to be Messiah.

**B.** Read **Matthew 25:34-40 (NIV)** and answer the following questions.

1. What is the inheritance those blessed by the Father will receive?

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2. How did the righteous minister to those who were sick and in prison?

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3. What will be the King's reply to the righteous?

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# Personal Learning ACTIVITY



A. i. One could say that Jesus' mission statement for His life is summarised in **Luke 4:18-19**. Read the passage and find the 'what', 'how' and 'why' of Jesus' mission.

What was the mission?

1. To \_\_\_\_\_
2. To \_\_\_\_\_
3. To \_\_\_\_\_
4. To \_\_\_\_\_

ii. How would Jesus be able to do the mission (See Luke 4:18a)?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

iii. Why was this mission necessary?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. Based on what you have learnt about mission, write a mission statement which could guide you in how you live your life.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

C. List two examples from the Bible that show how Jesus lived out His mission statement.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## The Lesson and Me

Jesus' mission was important to Him. He lived His life in such a way to meet both the physical and spiritual needs of others. He modelled the way we should carry out mission in today's world. Jesus wants me to be a part of His mission and to share in His ministry.

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