

Why Go?

Paul's Supporting Cast: Week 1

The question that we are addressing this morning is a simple one: Why go? In other words, why should all of us do what our Mexico missionaries did this past week, namely, leave the comfort and convenience of home for the sake of the gospel? After exploring two "good" reasons for going on mission, we are going to examine the best reason for going on mission as Paul's Supporting Cast.

Two "Good" Reasons to go on Mission

1. For the sake of great _____.
 - Romans 16:3-9
2. For the sake of great _____.
 - Luke 10:7

The Best Reason to go on Mission

Mission is the _____ function of the Church.

How do we know this?

1. We know this _____.
 - Genesis 12:1-3
2. We know this on the basis of a five-step _____ argument.
 - a. God chose Israel for a _____.
 - Deuteronomy 7:7
 - Isaiah 42:6
 - b. Israel _____ at that purpose.
 - Psalm 78
 - Luke 13:34
 - c. Jesus came to _____ a new Israel.
 - Mark 3:14
 - d. The Church is the _____ of the twelve.
 - Matthew 16:18
 - e. When you became a Christian, you were baptized into the _____ of Christ, the _____.
 - Ephesians 5:23
 - Colossians 1:18

What's the Upshot?

Mission is _____ to our lives in the church, because mission is the reason for the _____ of the Church.

A Paradoxical Problem