

Paul's Supporting Cast:

The Churches Role in Missions

1. God's Purpose from First to Last - Genesis 12:1-3; Revelation 7:9-10

"The missionary enterprise of the church is not a pyramid built upside down with its point on one isolated text in the New Testament out of which we have built a huge structure known as "missions." Rather the missionary enterprise of the church is a great pyramid built right side up with its base running from Genesis to Revelation 22. All of Scripture forms the foundation for the outreach of the gospel to the whole world." David Howard

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2. The Missional Work of the Holy Spirit –

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

- The Persecution and the spread of the Church - Acts 7:54-8:4
- The Spirit extends and broadens the mission of the Church - Acts 11
- The Spirit sets apart those to be sent out – Acts 13:1-4

3. Joining with the Holy Spirit in his Sending Work: The Philippi Story

"... you sent me aid again and again when I was in need." Philippians 4:16

Acts 16:11-15; Philippians 4:10-20

Putting it into Action - Stepping into Missions