

About 6 weeks before we were scheduled to leave, there was an opening. I e-mailed my friend—whom I hadn't seen in the interim—and asked if he was still interested. He immediately responded, "Sure! And I got a passport just in case you asked." He had made sure he was ready—just in case he got the call to go.

My friend's preparation reminds me of what happened back in the first century at Antioch. Paul and Barnabas were among a number of people getting themselves ready spiritually for whatever God might ask them to do, or wherever He might send them. They didn't prepare by getting a passport, but they "ministered to the Lord and fasted" (Acts 13:2). And when the Holy Spirit said, "Separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work" (v.2), they were all set for the journey.

Are you preparing for what God might want you to do? When the Spirit says, "Go," will you be ready?

Available for God to use me,
Available, if God should choose me;
Should it be here or there, it doesn't matter where;
My waiting heart prepare. —Anthony

Keep your tools ready—God will find work for you.



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Information for Visitors.

- * We're glad you're here. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're very welcome to join us for a cuppa after church.
- * a Kid's Church and creche is normally provided, during the sermon for the **toddler to primary age bracket**. Please ask for details.

Are You Ready?

Three months before a planned missions trip, a friend and I were talking about the upcoming event. He said to me, "If anyone can't go, I'd be willing to step in and join you." This was not going to be an easy 8 days, for we would be painting, repairing, and fixing stuff in the July heat of Jamaica. Yet my friend seemed eager to go.



Missions

A Heart for God



Core values (matters of the heart) can be considered under two main headings:

1. _____ heart for _____,

(Mark 12:29-30) "Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. {30} 'And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment."

(John 14:21) ""He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.""

(John 14:23-24) "Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. {24} "He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me."

(John 17:22-26) ""And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: {23} "I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me. {24} "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. {25} "O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. {26} "And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.""

(Ephesians 1:3-4) "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, {4} just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,"

(Romans 8:29) "For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren."

(Ephesians 1:7) "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace"

(Ephesians 1:11-12) "In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, {12} that we who first

trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory."

(Luke 19:10) ""for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.""

(Luke 5:32) ""I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.""

(John 12:32) ""And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all .. to Myself.""

2. _____ heart for _____, Acts 1:8, 8:1, 5-6, 11:19-21, 13:1-3, 14:26-28

(Matthew 28:18-20) "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. {19} "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, {20} "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen."

(1 Thessalonians 5:25) "Brethren, pray for us."

(2 Thessalonians 3:1) "Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you,"

(Ephesians 6:19) "and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,"

(Colossians 4:3-4) "meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, {4} that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak."

(Philippians 4:15-17) "Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. {16} For even in Thessalonica you sent aid once and again for my necessities. {17} Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account."

(Philippians 1:19) "For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,"



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1¹La început, Dumnezeu a făcut cerurile și pământul.

2²Pământul era pustiu și gol; peste fața adâncului de ape era întuneric, și Duhul lui Dumnezeu se mișca pe deasupra apelor.

3³Dumnezeu a zis: Să fie lumină! Și a fost lumină. 4⁴Dumnezeu a văzut că lumina era bună; și Dumnezeu a despărțit lumina de