

MOTIVATED FOR THE MISSION

Romans 15:14–21

Be motivated for the mission by...

- Being convinced of the GOODNESS and POWER of the local church. 15:14
- Seeing our life mission through the lens of WORSHIP. 15:15–16
- Remembering that fruitfulness DEPENDS on God. 15:17–19a
- Recognizing your ROLE in fulfilling Jesus' mission. 15:19b–21



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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Can you think of a time in your life when you felt like you were just going through the motions of the Christian life? How did you deal with this?
2. Read Romans 15:14. How does Paul think of the local church? What do we learn about the church from the three ways he praises this church?
3. How have you seen people go wrong in how they approach or view the church?
4. How does Paul view his ministry in Romans 15:15-16? In your life, what areas are a challenge to view through the lens of worship? Why? (see 1 Cor 10:31)
5. Read Romans 15:17-19. How does your motivation change when you have a dependent heart versus having an independent heart? How can we cultivate dependent hearts?
6. Read Romans 15:19-21. How is it that Paul fulfilled the gospel in so big an area? What do you think our involvement in pioneer missions should look like today?
7. Read Matthew 28:19-20. What is Jesus' mission, and what is your role in fulfilling it? How can you take part in that this week?

RECOMMENDED READING

- Let the Nations Be Glad!: The Supremacy of God in Missions by John Piper (Baker, 2010).
- What is the Mission of the Church?: Making Sense of Social Justice, Shalom, and the Great Commission by Kevin DeYoung (Crossway, 2011).
- Missions: How the Local Church Goes Global by Andy Johnson (Crossway, 2017).

MEMORY VERSES: ROMANS 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

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