

GO!

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Traverse...

Travel (literally or figuratively)

Especially to remove (figuratively, die)...

Go forth...

Make a journey...

See Greek 3984 peira, pi'-rah

*(through the idea of piercing); a test, i.e.
attempt, experience:--assaying, trial.*



GO!

The lifestyle of ministering the nature of Jesus to the world in humility and boldness...

- Importance of both living and sharing a faithful Christian witness...**Because Jesus did**
- Nurturing ministry opportunities in my local congregations...**Because Jesus did**
- Fleshing out what discipleship looks like in my neighborhood... **Because Jesus did**
- Catching a vision that we are missionaries no matter where we live...**Because Jesus did**
- Developing a culture of outreach...**Because Jesus did**
- Developing an openness to the calling for foreign mission work...**Because Jesus did**
- Understanding the need for being called, anointed and under authority... **Because Jesus did**

Col. 1:24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church...

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between us and the Christ we
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GO! – With the Promise of His Power and His Presence

Mt 28:16 ¶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. 17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying...

All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

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What is Jesus thinking?

- **What does He expect His disciples to be doing that requires His amazing power?**
- **Where does He expect His disciples to be in the end of the world?**

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The forever desire of God for the nations (people groups)...

Redeemed...

19...with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you



The heart of God for the nations...

Joh 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Joh 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

Joh 17:23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

The heart of Jesus for the nations...

- *Lu 19:10...the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.*
- *Mr 1:38 And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth.*
- *Mt 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations(people groups); and then shall the end come.*
- *Acts 18:10...I have much people in this city.*

Where did Jesus go? ...To those in need!

- *Mr 1:40 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. **41 And Jesus, moved with compassion**, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, ***I will; be thou clean.****
- *Mr 6:34 And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things...*



When did Jesus go?...Whenever there was a need!

- At the end of a long day...

Lu 4:40 Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them



GO – Where He leads...

John 12:26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be...

If Jesus ministry resembled mine, how would the gospels read?

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Go – With His message...

Ro 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

GO - To the discouraged!

Mt 11:1 ¶ And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities. 2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, 3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

*4 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Go** and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: 5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. 6 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.*

GO! – To the lost!

Lu 14:16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: 17 And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. 18 And they all with one consent began to make excuse...

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. Lu 14:22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. 23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

GO – Take the church with you...

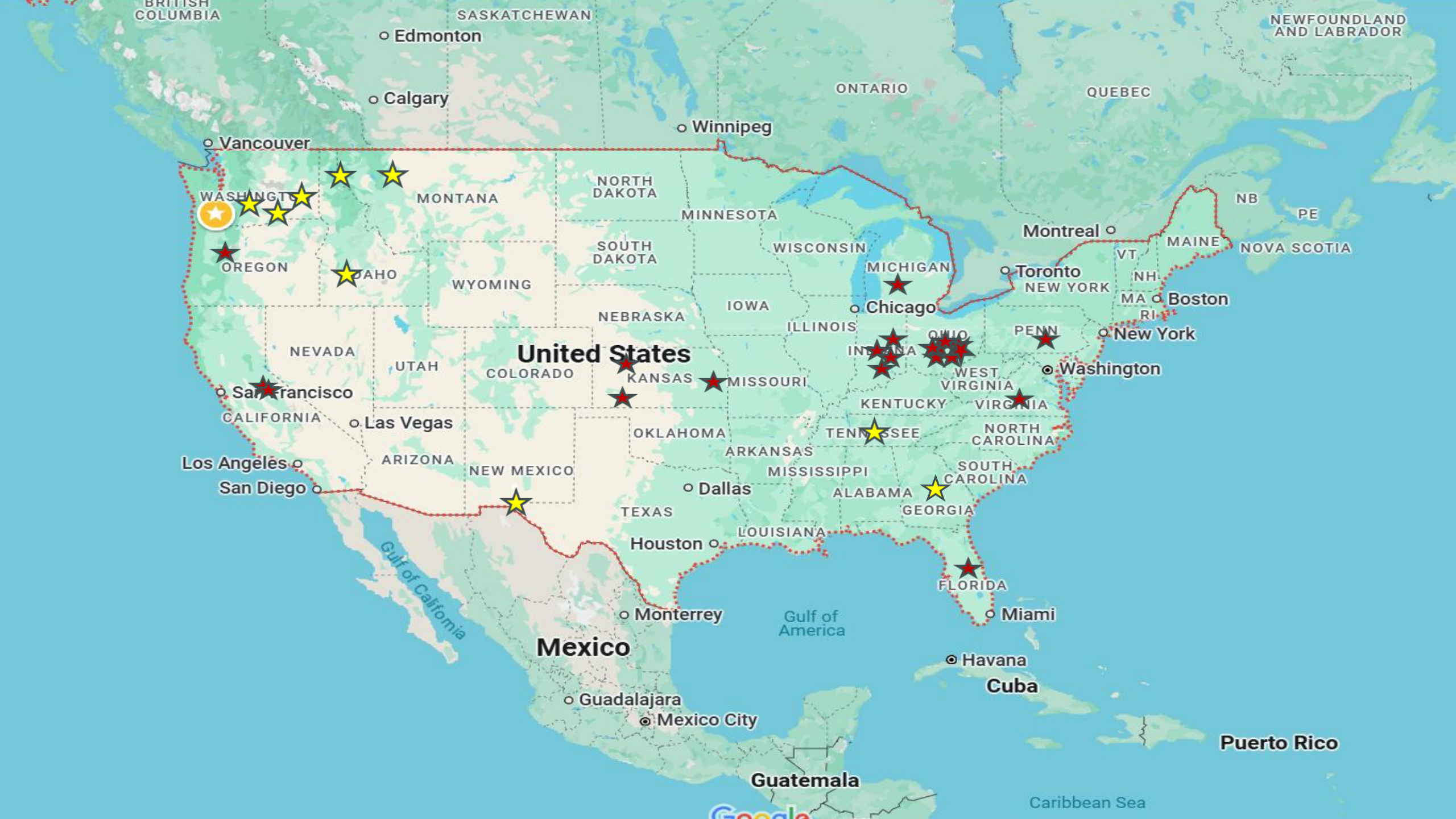
Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

- ***“Every mission effort should bless and strengthen the local church. Every church a GOING church”
-Val Yoder***

GO – Take the church with you...

Ac 13:1 Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. 2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. 3 And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

- **Heart of God for the nations...leading the church to go...by sending...and supporting.**
- ***“Servant bodies...1/2 a man too strong...so when sent...are only ½ a man short” – Val Yoder***
- **In 2k years, who has been more blessed? Who has had more opportunity to GO...than you?**



Thessalonica – A faithful church proclaims the gospel!

1Th 1:8 For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your faith toward God has gone out...



GO!...

*Ps 2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the
heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost
parts of the earth for thy possession...*



GO!...

**Go! -To Travel...To take the journey...
GO! - A test...A piercing...**

**“Do you believe this is the call of God?
Without that, you will fail”**



Hast thou no scar?

*Hast thou no scar?
No hidden scar on foot, or side, or hand?
I hear thee sung as mighty in the land,
I hear them hail thy bright, ascendant star,
Hast thou no scar?*

Hast thou no wound?

*Yet I was wounded by the archers, spent,
Leaned Me against a tree to die; and rent
By ravening beasts that compassed Me, I swooned:
Hast thou no wound?*

No wound? No scar?

*Yet, as the Master shall the servant be,
And pierced are the feet that follow Me;
But thine are whole: can he have followed far
Who has nor wound nor scar?*

GO – to your knees...

Father...Diminish the distance...between us and the Christ we follow.

Father...Diminish the difference... between our ministry and His.

Father...we ask for grace to be more like you...

Father...Show us where to Go and when to Go..

Father...We make ourselves available and we ask you to empower us and send us and use us for your glory...

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