

Article Review #1

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What is one concept that stood out to you in this article?

The concept that stood out to me the most from reading the article is understanding the meaning of what mission is from a biblical perspective - being God centered. Having a God centered mission on missions is the quintessential to understanding why we do what we do as followers of Jesus Christ; our missionary mandate must be from a heart of love and compassion for people. The bible declares that he who wins a soul is wise in the book of Proverbs 11:30. Looking closely at this verse one could easily say the Christian who cause a soul to come back to the tree of Life or redeem a soul out of darkness to the Light has God's love in him. Tennent states it well in his book on what mission is "...mission refers to God redemptive, historical initiative on behalf of his creation." (Invitation to World Missions, 2010).

What implications does this concept have for Missions?

Any implication this would pose is the task of retraining the mindset of missionaries who are already in the mission field worldwide.

What needs to change in your life as a result?

The changes I see that is needed is being intentional in relating to others about God's redemptive plan for their life. I never like the idea of just handing a tract to someone who does not know Christ, I believe in having conversation. When I was in my own country in the Caribbean, for me it was different, different in the sense that missions was indeed God centered, it always yield fruitful results or harvest, many of which are now doing the same in other peoples life.

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