

## FRESH OIL FOR A LIFE ON MISSION

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### GOD IS A SENDING GOD

“To be a Christian is to be sent. Mission is woven into the very identity of God’s people, because God Himself is a sending God.” — Unknown

#### **Genesis 12:1–3 (NLT)**

The LORD had said to Abram, “Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you.”

#### **Exodus 3:10 (NLT)**

Now go, for I am sending you to Pharaoh. You must lead my people Israel out of Egypt.”

#### **Jeremiah 1:7 (NLT)**

The LORD replied, “Don’t say, ‘I’m too young,’ for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you.

#### **Isaiah 6:8 (NLT)**

Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?”  
I said, “Here I am. Send me.”

#### **John 3:16–17 (NLT)**

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

### SENDING IS AN ATTRIBUTE OF GOD

### GOD’S SENDING MISSION NOW ALSO BECOMES OUR MISSION

#### **John 20:21 (NLT)**

Again he said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.”

#### **Matthew 28:19–20 (NLT)**

Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

### WE CANNOT SEPARATE BEING SAVED FROM BEING SENT

**Ephesians 2:8–10 (NIV)**

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

YOU'RE NOT JUST A RECEIVER OF GRACE — YOU'RE A CARRIER OF GRACE

**Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)**

He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

YOU ARE SENT BY GOD TO GET IN THE GAME AND BE A PLAYER!

YOU HAVE BEEN CALLED TO BE THE LOOK ON GOD'S FACE - TO BE THE TONE OF HIS VOICE - TO BE THE TOUCH OF HIS HAND! – PAUL TRIPP

**Acts 1:8–9 (NLT)**

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup> After saying this, he was taken up into a cloud while they were watching, and they could no longer see him.

**Titus 3:5 (NLT)**

he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit.

DO YOU SEE THE MISSION?

DO YOU ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR NEED FOR EMPOWERMENT?

DO YOU ASK FOR EMPOWERMENT?

**Luke 11:5–13 (NLT)**

Then, teaching them more about prayer, he used this story: “Suppose you went to a friend's house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him, <sup>6</sup> ‘A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat.’ <sup>7</sup> And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, ‘Don't bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I are all in bed. I can't help you.’ <sup>8</sup> But I tell you this—though he won't do it for friendship's sake, if you keep knocking long enough, he will get up and give you whatever you need because of your shameless persistence. <sup>9</sup> “And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup> “You fathers—if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? <sup>12</sup> Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! <sup>13</sup> So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.”