



MISSION FACTS

The 10/40 Window is the section on the globe that stretches from 10 degrees latitude north of the equator to 40 degrees latitude north. It reaches from north Africa and the Middle East westward to China, India and SE Asia. In this window Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism dominate along with tribal religions, atheism and animism. The largest conglomeration of unreached people groups on the face of the earth are in this window. Many have never heard the name of Jesus. They are typically the earth's poorest people.

HEART CHECK

If you lived in the 10/40 window and you didn't know about Jesus – would you want someone to come and tell you?

THE MANDATE

Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature! Mark 16:15

THE MEDITATION

Lord, I wonder how I would have felt standing in the crowd, only a few yards from you, when you uttered the words, "Go, tell the nations!" Would I feel differently about them than I do now – a continent and two millenniums removed? Would I have assumed you were talking to someone else, "Peter, he's talking to you!" If you had looked at me, would I have assumed that you were gazing at someone else? "Surely, Jesus, you can't mean me! Me – go? Me – preach?" Interpreting the word 'preach' as 'share', I still might have protested, "Me? Into all the world? To every creature?"

I wonder, had I been there that day, could I have forgotten it all. Too much had happened. The miracles. The mind-bending teaching. The healings. The crowds – everywhere you went. The confrontations. The radical ideas – good news for the poor and the oppressed, healing for broken hearts, the opening of prisons for the wrongly exploited, the unshackling of those in bondage. The year of Jubilee! And the bloody crucifixion followed by the mind-boggling resurrection and the astonishing ascension.

Maybe for us in the 21st century, this is too much like a suspense novel or action-thriller movie, too unbelievable. But it is no mere dream. You're waiting right now for my answer, aren't you? Am I going to break my silence and share? Anywhere? Everywhere? Will the reality of who you are and what you did become so compelling that it bursts forth from me like an unstoppable fountain.

Eight or eighty, rich or poor, professionally trained or blue-collar – help me say, "I will no longer be silent!"

INTERCEDE FOR...

MONDAY

Finding the Unreached

6,900+ unreached people groups, almost 3 billion people who have not heard the gospel, a soul, every-one. A face. A person. Lacking hope. Hungry for love. With no Bible. Without a church. Never having met a Christian. Pray for them.

TUESDAY

Nurturing New Believers

Bibles and Christian literature – there are 2,630 people groups with 195 million people without Scripture, the Jesus film, or Christian recordings. Pray for pastors and evangelists to be trained.

WEDNESDAY

Investing

An engaged church. In AD 100, there were 12 unreached people groups for every congregation (12:1). Now the ratio is 1:1000. Still, 90% of missionaries work with the already reached. In terms of fund allocation - 87% goes for work among Christians; 12% for work among the evangelized; and only 1% for work among the unreached.

THURSDAY

Sending

The gospel to be sent in multiple ways. 40% of the world's 220 Heads of State once studied in the US. 60% of international students come from the 10/40 window, and 90% are unreached in the shadow of our steeples. Pray for the 140,000 protestant missionaries (all Christians), but especially for the 2 percent who among unreached peoples.

FRIDAY

Harvesting

The blood of 160,000 believers who will be martyred this year to not be in vain – that their blood will be the seed of Christianity in the next generation. Pray for a global harvest, for God's tithe – an awakening that would sweep 700 million people into the kingdom of God.



UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP TO PRAY FOR

From Albania:
The Gheg and Tosk
peoples.



MISSION QUOTE

Any church that is not seriously involved in helping fulfill the Great Commission has forfeited its right to exist.



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