

## DECLARE HIS GLORY

### Psalm 96:1-6

#### I. WHAT are we called to do? v1a

Sing to the LORD a new song

A. Not simply a statement but a song which engages the **heart**

A **joyful song**: v11-13

B. Not for us, but addressed to **Him**: “to the LORD”

It is a song for *His* pleasure, not mine

C. Not an old song, but a **new** song

Because He has done a new thing in my life

96:2 it is a song of praise for His salvation in my life

#### II. WHO is called to do it? v1b-2

\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ !

Not just for CPC, the OPC, American evangelicals

ALL the earth, all cultures, all peoples

Imagine the blending of that worship!

#### III. SO what then must we do? v3

DECLARE His Glory among the nations

His Glory is how He reveals His perfections to us:

His Name (v2): character

His marvelous deeds (v3): creation and redemption

- Creation
- Redemption

#### IV. WHY ultimately do we do this? v4-6

For He is WORTHY

Everything else that seduces our hearts are idols and false gods

So “worship is the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of missions” (Piper, *Let the Nations Be Glad* p 17). Missions is simply the means to the end of God receiving His supreme place in the hearts of a redeemed people.

Our passion for Him fuels our passion for missions.

Missions is the overflow of our song to Him.

So that “the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea” (Hab 2:14).

Ways you can grow in this in this coming month and year:

Choose just 2 or 3 that will widen your horizons and grow your faith. Check beside them as a commitment to DO them:

\_\_\_\_\_ Read books & articles on foreign missions

\_\_\_\_\_ Pray more than weekly for particular missionaries

\_\_\_\_\_ Get to know someone from another culture

\_\_\_\_\_ Plan to go abroad to expose myself to another culture  
(investigate going short term somewhere as a family!)

\_\_\_\_\_ Give regularly to some foreign mission, and follow its progress

\_\_\_\_\_ Have my cell/small group adopt a CPC missionary

\_\_\_\_\_ Give my testimony at least once at Upward Basketball

\_\_\_\_\_ Speak of Christ to someone this month

\_\_\_\_\_ Pray this month about how I can declare His glory to the world and move toward global involvement