

**The Story That Never Grows Old
God's Heart Revealed – Part 3
Selected Scripture**

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God is always doing something bigger than we think.

(John 3:16, 10:14-16, 11:51-53, 12:30-33)

- *God's heart for lost people* has always looked beyond just Israel (Gen 12:1-3; Dan 7:13-14; John 4:23-24; Rev 5:9-10)

The Church's Mission: Go to all people everywhere and without distinction and produce followers of Jesus (Matthew 28:18-20)

- *God's heart for lost people* is revealed in the mission of the Church:
 - It means I am to be actively involved – GO!
 - It means there is a scope of the mission – to everyone, it is world-wide!
 - It means I have a message – the Good News of Jesus as our Savior
 - It means I have a purpose – to teach obedience to Jesus as our Lord
 - It means I have a promise – the continual presence and power of Jesus until He comes again

How is this mission to be accomplished?...By developing *God's heart for lost people* where I am today and where He leads tomorrow (Acts 1:6-8)

- *Jerusalem* = my family, my neighborhood
- *Judea* = my workplace, school, shopping and business, friends
- *Samaria* = homeless, needy, poor, disenfranchised
- *Ends of the earth* = other ethnic groups, other belief systems, places unfamiliar to me

My Heart Revealed....

Will I trust God to do *bigger things* through me than I have allowed Him to do by the *limits I put on my faith*?

Who is the *one person* that I don't think God is *capable of reaching*? Why?

What is *one step* I will take this week to begin to *develop God's heart* for lost people in my own life? Write it here: _____
