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# He Is Worthy: Our Heart for Every Missionary

Lesson 1 • 1 Corinthians 16:17-18

1 Corinthians 16 is a snapshot of 1 Corinthians 15:58 lived out in a local church.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Always Abound in the Work of the Lord, Knowing that Your Labor in the Lord Is Not in Vain!			
STEWARDSHIP	<b>SERVING</b>	SHARED COMMUNITY	SOVEREIGN GRACE
16:1-9	16:10-18	16:19-20	16:21-24
Always Abound in	Always Abound in	Always Abound in	Always Abound in
Giving to the Lord	Honoring Those Who Abound	Greeting One Another	Standing Strong
Showing Hospitality	Enduring in Abounding	Building Community	in the Gospel
Proclaiming the Gospel	Refreshing God's Sent Ones	in Small Groups	of Sovereign Grace

Every Year We Get to Celebrate How Our Local Serving Should Impact GLOBAL SENDING!

Those Who Always Abound in Serving the Lord and His Local Church Have a Heart to **REFRESH** the Heart of Every Missionary.

"For they have refreshed my spirit and yours." 1 Corinthians 16:18

### Four Reminders about Refreshing the Hearts of Every Missionary

## 1. Missions Is Meant to Be <u>RELATIONAL</u>. 16:17

#### What Is Paul Rejoicing Over?

"The coming" = "The arrival" = Greek: parousia

### Why Is Paul Rejoicing Over Their Arrival?

#### 1. **<u>RESOURCES</u>** for sure.

### 2. **<u>RELATIONSHIPS</u>** even more so.

ESV/CSB I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence,
NLT I am very glad that Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus have come here. They have been providing the help you weren't here to give me.
NET I was glad about the arrival of Stephanus, Fortunatus, and Achaicus because they have supplied THE FELLOWSHIP with you that I lacked.

One of the Main Reason We Have a 5-Day World Outreach Celebration Is: Missions Should Be Relational!

Both we as a church and our missionary guests should say at the end of 5 days: "I am continually rejoicing over the fact that these men and women are have been here present with us!"

### 2. Missions Is Meant to Be <u>RECIPROCAL</u>. 16:18

- 1. Global missions is simply local ministry done in **DIFFERENT** place or with **DIFFERENT** people group.
- Serving God's sent ones (missionaries) will refresh their heart and ours at the SAME TIME. Romans 1:8-12

### 3. Missions Is Meant to Be <u>REFRESHING</u>. 16:18

Philemon 4-7, 17-20

"Missionaries are not super heroes like in a comic book!"

### 4. Missions Is Meant to Be a Cause for <u>REJOICING</u>. 16:17

"Missions exists because worship doesn't." – John Piper Psalm 67:3-7

#### Why Is Paul Continually Rejoicing?

ULTIMATELY he is rejoicing because he sees in the abounding service of these three men and through them the church at Corinth a people who are devoted to God's glory and the spread of the gospel to all peoples!

Romans 15:7-13

### You Too Can Refresh the Hearts of God's Sent Ones

- DEVOTE YOURSELF to serving the saints, including His Sent Ones – our global partners!
- DEDICATE YOUR RESOURCES to refreshing the hearts and furthering the mission of God's Sent Ones: Your life, your family, your time, your treasure, and your talents!
- ► DETERMINE TO REFRESH HEARTS of God's sent ones at this year's World Outreach Celebration!

### 2021 World Outreach Celebration Schedule

