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He Is Worthy: God's Heart for Every Language

Lesson 2 • Romans 10:17

If you could give a gift that would be suitable for and satisfying to the whole world, what would you give?

The Greatest Gift God Has Ever Given the World Is His *Living & Written* **WORD!**

"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ." Romans 10:17

"Consequently faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the preached word of Christ." NET

How Important Is God's Greatest Gift in Reaching the Unreached?

Fulfilling the Great Commission calls for getting God's Word to people in a language they **UNDERSTAND** and in a **WAY** they have easy access.

5 Facts about God's Heart for Every People Group Receiving His Word in Their Heart Language.

1. God Uses Language to **ACCOMPLISH** His Purposes.

CREATION

"And God said..." Genesis 1:1, 3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24, 26

REDEMPTION

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1

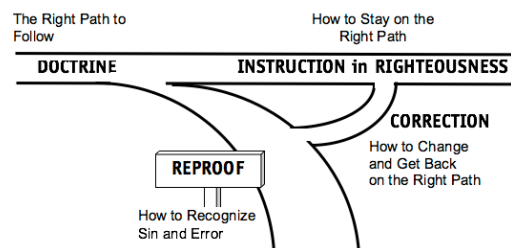
CONDEMNATION

"From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. Revelation 19:15

NEW CREATION

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God" Hebrews 8:10

► How strong is your **GRIP** on God's WORD?



2. Sinful Humanity Used Having **ONE** Language to **REBEL** against God's Purposes and Make a Name for Themselves.

The Tower of Babel – Genesis 11:1-4

- Unbelieving humanity used **one language** and **the latest technology** to fulfill **their** purposes for **their** glory.
- What are God's purposes for humanity from the very beginning? *Genesis 1:27-28*
- In the NT Jesus put this way in **Matthew 28:19-20**.

BUT unsaved humanity is still rebelling against God's revealed purposes by using **better communication** and the **latest technology**...

- 1) Build up a **city of materialism** for ourselves.
- 2) Build a **tower of idolatry** for ourselves and of ourselves.
- 3) Build a **name/reputation** for ourselves.
- 4) Build a **secure place** for ourselves to pursue our own purposes and not God's purposes for us.

For whose purposes are we using the latest technology and means of communication to further? God's or our own?



3. God Scattered Humanity with MANY Languages as a JUDGMENT for Sin and a HOPE for Salvation.

The Confusion of Languages and Scattering of Humanity – Genesis 11:5-9

Fallen humanity used clear communication to rebel. So God brings judgment upon them by confusing their clear communication!

The approximately **4,000 languages** of the world that still need a Bible in their own language is a CURSE and BLESSING from God.

4. In Christ God UNLEASHES His Church to Reach the Unreached in EVERY Language by the Power of the Spirit.

The Church Unlashed to Reach Every Nation and Language – Acts 2:4-11

In Christ God unleashes the church to *reach the unreached* in every language by the power of the Spirit and *reverse the curse* of the Tower of Babel.

5. God has given EVERYTHING to reach every language with the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

The Celebration Around the Throne with Every Language Is Already Paid in Full – Revelation 5:9-10

We have been *unleashed* to reach the *unreached* by giving *everything* to reach everyone!

God's Heart Still Longs for ZERO Languages Without His Word.

- Good news regarding the world's 7,000 languages...
- Bible translation is accelerating right now like never before—*as a church we are getting in on the action!*
- Together our church is partnering with others to play a significant part in this progress.

Re-Gifting God's Greatest Gift – *His Word* – to Every Language Group Is a Worthy Goal, Because Our God Is Worthy of Every Sacrifice!