

# The Goal of Christian Missions

Matthew 28:19,20 – *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”*

Romans 10:15b – *“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”*

Which makes the most sense to you?

**Plan A:** The goal of Christian missions is to save people from the wrath of an angry God and help them avoid everlasting torture in a place called Hell. The message goes something like this. *“Hi folks, I would like to introduce you to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If I can persuade you to sincerely pray this simple, one or two sentence prayer, you will go to Heaven when you die. If you don’t, then when you die you will be tortured for all eternity in Hell, along with all the rest of your ancestors and loved ones, who weren’t lucky enough to hear and respond to this wonderful good news of the Gospel.”*

**Plan B:** The goal of Christian missions is to make disciples of all nations, introduce them to the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ, and teach them to obey His commandments. The message goes something like this: *“Hi folks. God loves you and so do I. God demonstrated His love for you by dying on the Cross of Calvary in the person of His Son, Jesus. The penalty for sin is death, and it was paid in full for all of you on that cross. The price only had to be paid once, so all of you are off the hook. God offers to each of you the opportunity of experiencing a personal relationship with Him and His Son, Jesus Christ. When you enter into relationship with God, He will give you many wonderful gifts including, but not limited to, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control in this life and also in the next life after you die.”*