

# THE DOCTRINE OF MISSIONS

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*“And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,” 2 Corinthians 4:3*

7. Spiritual gifts are necessary.
  - a. A missionary ought to have one of the public communication spiritual gifts: evangelist, teacher, or pastor and teacher. Spiritual gifts are the special abilities that God distributes to individual believers so they may serve Him and the church (1 Corinthians 12.12-28; 1 Peter 4.10-11) .
  - b. Prepared missionaries are needed. Missionaries ought to be biblically grounded in all Bible doctrine, but especially the gospel, grace, faith, and basic Christian life doctrines (Ephesians 4.11-16; 2 Timothy 2.15).
8. Lay the foundation and move on. After the missionary has laid down the gospel foundation, taught doctrine to the new believers, trained local spiritual leaders, helped them form local churches, passed the ministry to local leaders, he will then move to another region and repeat this process with other people (pattern in Acts 13-20).
9. Missionaries ought to revisit the new churches on occasion in order to encourage and teach the believers until they are self-sufficient.
10. Missionaries and the local church.
  - a. Missionaries must have a local church base. Missionary work falters without a strong local church base. This local church should first provide for its pastor, then for missionaries.
  - b. Missionaries should be sent out from a home local church and be supported by that church and possibly by other churches in that geographical area.
  - c. Missionaries ought to return to their own local church to report on their ministry, to be refreshed, and to be taught and further equipped by the pastor-teacher and teachers.

*(More on Missions next week)*

# SPOKANE BIBLE CHURCH

Sunday, January 20, 2008

*Welcome to our Sunday morning Bible classes. Our services are designed to teach the Word of God, so believers can grow in grace and knowledge of their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ*

**Sunday School** 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Classes are available for all age groups ... from nursery to adult studies.

**Church Service** 10:45 a.m.  
Welcome, Announcements, Grace Giving, Prayer

*Congregational Singing:*  
For Me, To Live Is Christ, AF 53

*Congregational Singing:*  
O Worship the King, 1

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 29:1-9 by Ken Bryan

*Congregational Singing:*  
Come, Thou Almighty King, 84  
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, 268

Study of the Word of God:  
"Psalm 2," by Pastor Tod Kennedy

*Congregational Singing:*  
Now I Belong to Jesus, 446 (Verse 3)

Benediction

# SPOKANE BIBLE CHURCH

## Opportunities for Spiritual Growth and Fellowship This Week

**Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.** Gospel of Matthew  
Mid-Week Bible Class  
Spokane Bible Church

**Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.** Prayer Groups. Gathering of believers to pray for our nation, community, church, missionaries, fellow believers, and for the salvation of unbelievers  
Prayer Groups  
Spokane Bible Church

Upcoming Events	
<b>February 2, 2008</b> <b>9:00 am—3:30 pm</b>	You Can Tell It! A Seminar on Personal Evangelism
<b>March, 2008</b>	Ron Kellam and Lloyd Meyers, Nigeria Trip

## Prayer Focus This Week



"Pray without ceasing,"  
1 Thessalonians 5:17

- Jesse Acosta, Evergrace Fellowship Church, Arlington, Washington
- Craig & Sue Swanson, New Guinea
- Health Concerns:
  - Donna Morris: Healing of five severe wounds; tolerance of time in hyperbaric chamber; Vacuum machine on ankle 20 hours a day; Intense pain
  - Eva Schmidt: Success of on-going clinical trial; encouragement for Eva and for family
  - Dody Frick: Surgery recovery; right leg pain
  - Karen Gullberg: Melanoma cancer, dying grace
  - Dee Proser: Accurate diagnosis and treatment of hip injury
- Titus Kennedy: Archaeology work in temple mount debris, Jerusalem, January 19-28, 2008. Teaching ministry at the Word of God Bible College
- Salvation Request: Shari Clark, Dody's piano teacher
- Spokane Bible Church — Services and Classes
  - Professional (Everything done decently and in order)
  - Entire content draws the congregation to a greater knowledge of and appreciation for Jesus Christ and God's plan
  - Additional believers to take on roles in music, ushering, welcoming visitors