

MISSION: POSSIBLE

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- There is quite a mission that was imparted from Christ to the apostle Paul, and now to us.
- *“Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee, To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.” Acts 26:17-18*
- But the mission is not impossible - not when you break it down to each local church doing their part.
- If the mission is to be accomplished, it will take _____.
- This is why every believer must be actively engaged in missions outreach. Why is this?

First, because we have a fierce _____

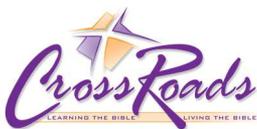
- In verse 3, *“lost”* means “to destroy fully; to perish; to lose.”
- People are drowning in sin and bondage, and Satan does not want people to know that there is a _____. vs. 4
- As believers, we **have** the lifeline. We have Jesus Christ. Verse 7 declares, *“We **have** this treasure [Jesus Christ].…”*

- Satan wants to sidetrack Christians and local churches from their primary mission.
- *“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief... Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Timothy 1:15, 2:4*

Second, because Christ has _____ our lives

- Our hearts are no longer blinded by the god of this world. We have been set _____ and now enjoy all spiritual blessings in Christ.
- If we know the Fountain to receive all these wonderful blessings, don't you think we have a spiritual and moral obligation to share that knowledge with _____? vs. 13
- Has Christ changed your life? What are you doing to help get the message of Christ out to the lost?

- The Bible describes our life here on earth as a _____ (vs. 17), but our life in heaven will be eternal. vs. 18
- If this is true, then doesn't it make sense that our time, our energy, our monies, etc., should be primarily spent in things that will be _____ worthwhile?



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