

5. Read Exodus 19:5-6 and then watch the BibleProject video called "Royal Priests of Eden." Explain how being 'royal priests' ties to God's mission to the nations>

6. The Psalms, Israel's songbook and prayerbook, constantly recall the mission of God to the nations. How did the Psalms describe the mission to the nations? (See Psalm 57:9; 96:3,10; 102:15-16; 105:1-2)

7. Read Luke 24:45-49. How would you summarize the varied ways the Old Testament points to the Christian missionary enterprise?

8. What more would you say you learn about God from this survey of passages regarding our mission to the nations?

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## SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

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### **"Your Story in God's Global Mission"**

"God's Mission in the Story of God"

Genesis 18:17-19; Galatians 3:7-9,29

"It is essential, therefore, for Christians to understand the grounds on which the Christian mission rests. Only then shall we be able to persevere in the missionary task, with courage and humility, in spite of the world's misunderstanding and opposition. More precisely, biblical Christians need biblical incentives. For we believe the Bible to be the revelation of God and of his will." (John Stott)

Your \_\_\_\_\_ isn't custom made for you; you are custom made for God's mission

### **God's Mission in the Story of God**

#### **Scene 1 - Creation**

Through our \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 1:26-28; 2:15

#### **Scene 2 - Separation**

The mission \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 3:15

#### **Scene 3 - Promise (Genesis 12)**

To \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 12:1-3; 18:18; 22:18

To \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 26:6

To \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 28:14

To \_\_\_\_\_ - Galatians 3:7-9,29

#### **Scene 4 - Sacrifice (Exodus 1)**

Through \_\_\_\_\_ - Exodus 9:14-16

Through the \_\_\_\_\_ - Exodus 12:38

#### **Scene 5 - Law (Exodus 20)**

Through \_\_\_\_\_ - Deuteronomy 4:5-6

As a "kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_" - Exodus 19:5-6

Through loving the \_\_\_\_\_ - Deuteronomy 10:18; 14:28; 24:21

### Scene 6 & 7 - Kings & Prophets (1 Samuel 9)

In \_\_\_\_\_ and prayer - Psalm 57:9; 96:3,10; 102:15-16; 105:1-2

Through Israel's \_\_\_\_\_ - 4:31-34; 8:41-43; 10:1-13

In the \_\_\_\_\_ - Isaiah 60:1-3; Zechariah 8:20-22; Ezekiel 37:27-28; 38:23; 39:7; Isaiah 2:2-4; 45:14; 49:6; 56:6-8; Micah 4:1-3; Zechariah 14:16

### What Do We Learn About Our God?

1. God is for the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God is a promise \_\_\_\_\_. (Hebrews 11:8-14,39-40)
3. God loves us, therefore he \_\_\_\_\_ for the nations.

### Resources:

- DailyLife - Mondays includes prayer requests for our missionary partners. Subscribe for the DailyLife emails here (<https://www.fiveoaks.church/dailylife>) or on your favorite podcast app ("DailyLife Podcast—A Ministry of Five Oaks Church")
- For families with kids and youth: "The Wild Brothers" video vlog on YouTube. You might want to start with the "Highlands to Island" series.
- For families with kids, you can download family devotional called "The Journey to Become a Family on Mission for God" (<https://www.perspectives.org/html/content/thejourney.pdf>)
- Read a missionary biography. For families, check out the Christian Heroes: Then & Now series (40 volumes). Many are missionary biographies. For adults, some classics include Through Gates of Splendor by Elisabeth Elliot, To the Golden Shore: The Life of Adoniram Judson by Courtney Anderson, and Peace Child: An Unforgettable Story of Primitive Jungle Treachery in the 20th Century by Don Richardson.
- Homeschool curriculum - "To Every Nation: A Study of 12 Missionaries and Their Great God."

### Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. Describe a time when you have experienced the hostility many have for the Christian missionary enterprise (directly or indirectly).
3. Read Genesis 1:26-28 and 2:15. How might our God-given purpose in creation be related to our mission to the nations?
4. Read Exodus 9:14-16. How did the plagues (an act of judgment on one nation) serve the mission to that nation and move the mission to the nations forward?