

Genesis 12:1-4 Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” ⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

Jeremiah 29:1-14 These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ²This was after King Jeconiah, and the queen mother, the court officials, the leaders of Judah and Jerusalem, the artisans, and the smiths had departed from Jerusalem. ³The letter was sent by the hand of Elasah son of Shaphan and Gemariah son of Hilkiah, whom King Zedekiah of Judah sent to Babylon to King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. It said: ⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the LORD. ¹⁰For thus says the LORD: Only when Babylon’s seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹²Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴I will let you find me, says the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

Luke 9:1-10 Then Jesus called the twelve together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases,² and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal.³ He said to them, “Take nothing for your journey, no staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor money—not even an extra tunic.⁴ Whatever house you enter, stay there, and leave from there.⁵ Wherever they do not welcome you, as you are leaving that town shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”⁶ They departed and went through the villages, bringing the good news and curing diseases everywhere.⁷ Now Herod the ruler heard about all that had taken place, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had been raised from the dead,⁸ by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the ancient prophets had arisen.⁹ Herod said, “John I beheaded; but who is this about whom I hear such things?” And he tried to see him.¹⁰ On their return the apostles told Jesus all they had done. He took them with him and withdrew privately to a city called Bethsaida.

Luke 10:1-20 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.² He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you;⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say,¹¹ ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’¹² I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.¹³ “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.¹⁴ But at the judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you.¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades.¹⁶ “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!”¹⁸ He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning.¹⁹ See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you.²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Matthew 28:19-20 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Acts 1:6-8 So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority.⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 16:1-34 Paul went on also to Derbe and to Lystra, where there was a disciple named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer; but his father was a Greek.² He was well spoken of by the believers in Lystra and Iconium.³ Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him; and he took him and had him circumcised because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.⁴ As they went from town to town, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem.⁵ So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in numbers daily.⁶ They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia.⁷ When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them;⁸ so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas.⁹ During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.”¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling.¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.”¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities.²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.”²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely.²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened.²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.”²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”³¹ They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay.³⁴ He

brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

1 Corinthians 9:19-27 For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings. ²⁴Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win it. ²⁵Athletes exercise self-control in all things; they do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; ²⁷but I punish my body and enslave it, so that after proclaiming to others I myself should not be disqualified.

2 Timothy 2:1-9 You then, my child, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; ²and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. ³Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. ⁵And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. ⁶It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. ⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained.

2 Timothy 4:1-5 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. ⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

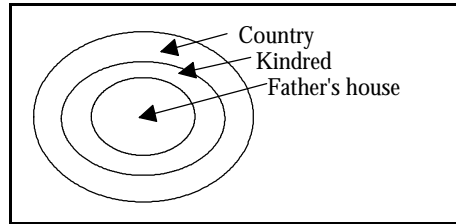
Jonah 1 Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, ²“Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before me.” ³But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD. ⁴But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. ⁵Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down, and was fast asleep. ⁶The captain came and said to him, “What are you doing sound asleep? Get up, call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish.” ⁷The sailors said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, so that we may know on whose account this calamity has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. ⁸Then they said to him, “Tell us why this calamity has come upon us. What is your occupation? Where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” ⁹“I am a Hebrew,” he replied. “I worship the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” ¹⁰Then the men were even more afraid, and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them so. ¹¹Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. ¹²He said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you; for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you.” ¹³Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. ¹⁴Then they cried out to the LORD, “Please, O LORD, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man’s life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood; for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.” ¹⁵So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea; and the sea ceased from its raging. ¹⁶Then the men feared the LORD even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows. ¹⁷But the LORD provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Jonah 3-4 The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ⁶When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: “By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. ⁸Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. ⁹Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.” ¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. ⁶The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.” ⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

Genesis 12:1-4

- ▼ Go from your country = culture; kindred = security; and your father's house = identity. Concentric circles of leaving.
- ▼ Leave behind security, culture, friends & family, identity, land=wealth
- ▼ Go to a place I'll show you- and I'll give you all this and much more: blessed to be a blessing.
- ▼ Families will be affected by our obedience
- ▼ Community scope of concern.
- ▼ Long term view- The blessing of Abraham will extend past those he knows or personally deals with.
- ▼ Mark 10:29-31 revise of this promise- a broadening of it-open to any with faith.



Jeremiah 29:1-14

- ▼ God scattered you- for a purpose. Give yourself to the welfare of the city to which you've been sent. Don't be separate- invest, plant, settle- you will prosper as they do. Grow spiritually, don't just hope to survive.
- ▼ A message for those being sent out- plan for long-term commitment to the people to which you are being sent which doesn't necessarily mean that you'll stop being an apostle Paul w/ Timothy etc.
- ▼ Grow spiritually- don't just hope and survive.
- ▼ They were sent by God, not their choice but His. It's God's plan- not a tragedy.
- ▼ Pastoral advice to exiles- become apostles for your own sake
- ▼ Now your concern is for these foreigners- before you wouldn't have been concerned for them.
- ▼ Unwitting apostleship? Blessed to be a blessing? or just to be tested?
- ▼ Temptation is to say "God is back in Jerusalem" or "CA" or Boston or URI, etc. But God is here- have hope.
- ▼ Going to univ.- like the exile- we can fear that God was really at home, but not here.
- ▼ Intercession is connected to apostleship- PRAY FOR THE UNIVERSITY!
- ▼ Tension between incarnation and promise of re-gathering- make your home there - return to me.
- ▼ Leave your country-- I will make you a great nation
Leave your kindred-- I will make your name great
Leave your family-- I will make you secure
- ▼ How to instill apostleship:
 - ▼ help people to think of themselves as missionaries to the campus.
 - ▼ take mission trips- build missionary mindset.
 - ▼ talk as if you aren't settled, but are on a journey.
- ▼ Need a future orientation
 - ▼ you won't necessarily be the one to enjoy the fruit of your difficult choices. (future generations).
 - ▼ choice to bless those you don't yet know.
 - ▼ need fundamental FAITH FEAR of God more than a fear of people.
- ▼ How students can be exiles, not apostles:
 - ▼ "I'm here to be a student"
 - ▼ focus on home church- "that's where God is at work"
 - ▼ thinking "I'll just try to survive".
 - ▼ no investment in particular people in local context
- ▼ How staff are exiles:
 - ▼ trying to maintain professional status, focus on "day job"
 - ▼ leave heart with peer friends, not students
 - ▼ waiting for marriage
 - ▼ giving up on students

- ▼ How fellowships can be exiles:
 - ▼ self-conscious colony
 - ▼ no focus on contributing to the campus/ wider community
 - ▼ unwilling to serve the university on its own terms
 - ▼ not webbing relationally into the non Christian community
 - ▼ just survive/maintain market share- not looking to expand into areas of campus unreached.

Luke 9:1-10 Luke 10:1-20

- ▼ Radical dependence on God- by seeing him provide through the people they are sent out to.
- ▼ “Ask the Lord of the Harvest”... Pray for apostles.
- ▼ Partnership vs. coverage
- ▼ Depth vs. breadth
- ▼ Jesus expands on his earlier training- willing to repeat himself not fearing redundancy with the 12.
- ▼ No compromise on the message- don’t spend energy making it attractive.
- ▼ Identification with Jesus- his purpose is ours, response to us is as to him.
- ▼ you: me:: me: Father
- ▼ Don’t rejoice in the power you’ve received, or in your great ministry feats, but rejoice in what God has done for you: Saved you!
- ▼ Build deep relationships
- ▼ Receive hospitality first, then give. Like LAMP (Language Acquisition Made Practical)-- go into a culture dependent, in need of language skills, as a learner. Not as the resourced one.
- ▼ Jesus is letting the disciples know that more is happening than ever the disciples see. Spiritual warfare.
- ▼ They are to do what they can to help people hear and embrace the Gospel:
 - ▼ the medium needs to be made accessible but that is different than making the message palatable.
 - ▼ we study the culture:
 - ▼ to identify idolatries
 - ▼ to identify points of contact, means of making message accessible (also Acts 16:13)
- ▼ Training value of summer missions, BUI, FLEP, short term experience: reliance on God for everything., being sent to a new place, being defined by your mission, having only one pursuit, WARTIME MENTALITY, sent ahead strategically, follow-up afterwards.

Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 1:6-8

- ▼ Community vs. mission- a false dichotomy- w/o mission you don’t have Jesus focused community. Our students need a stronger push outward.
- ▼ Go=Gen. 12:1
- ▼ All nations=Gen.12:3
- ▼ God’s presence is key.
- ▼ “Obeying everything I have commanded you”: including the command to go and make disciples. The command is Multiplicative- including apostolic vision and momentum. The result: not simply *converts*, not simply *disciples*, but **apostles**.
- ▼ Jesus doesn’t promise power to Shepherds but to apostles.

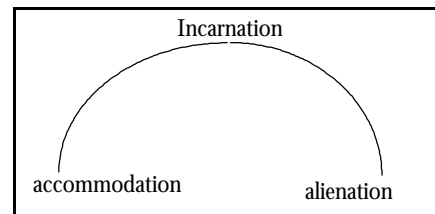
Acts 16:1-34

- ▼ Timothy was bi-cultural, like Paul- strategic.
- ▼ Circumcising Timothy, being all things to all people (1 Cor. 9:22)
- ▼ Near the river: Jews would gather here because no synagogue existed there. (By convention Jews would gather for prayer near a river bank, if there were too few jews to have a synagogue in a town.)

- ✓ Like Jer. 29- Paul's apostleship to the prison guard is not his choice, but God's. He has been sent there, but Paul knows God is there in the prison, and his ministry is there. So he is not motivated to escape. Paul is thinking about jailer, not himself.
- ✓ Paul: jailer:: Exiles: Babylonians
- ✓ Apostles received from those who responded to their word: hospitality, care.
- ✓ Paul gets a vision
 - ✓ makes strategic decision re: place of prayer
 - ✓ power encounter
 - ✓ compassion for jailer
- ✓ What are the places of prayer on our campuses? culturally near non-Xns. Needy and seeking people: Philos, Religion classes; people experiencing failure (Jailer);

1 Corinthians 9:19-27 & 2 Timothy 2:1-9 & 2 Timothy 4:1-5

- ✓ How do we "become all things to all people" w/o accommodation? Reduce barriers to entry as much as possible.
- ✓ Vs.19 "slave"- as in Philippi- in jail also Mark 10:42-45
- ✓ Do whatever you can to save people, but compete according to the rules. The ends don't justify the means.
- ✓ Single purpose and vision
- ✓ image of athlete: runs to win; self-control; discipline, hard work; compete by rules; finish the race; win a prize
- ✓ 2 Tim 2:2: Pass on the Gospel msg. in such a way as it will be multiplied.
- ✓ "everyday affairs" = "civilian pursuits": being a soldier requires focus, discipline
- ✓ Vs.4 Paul enlisted Timothy (Acts 16:3)
- ✓ People who try to break the rules are trying to avoid suffering.
- ✓ 2 Tim 4:3: Address current issues of cultural idolatry: don't just go with the flow.



Summary of Apostolic Ministry Principles

- ✓ Our goal is incarnation: apostolic ministry that engages the context without either totally accommodating to it or being totally alien from it. But this is an unstable equilibrium--it is easy to fall to one side of the slope or the other. It is easy for students, for staff, and even for fellowships to leave incarnation behind for the easier path of either accommodation or alienation.
- ✓ Willingness to leave behind security, identity, cultural comfort in order to be a blessing to many (Genesis 12:1-4), including those you have never met and may never meet.
- ✓ Focus on the journey, not on the destination. (vs. tendency to settle down).
- ✓ You are never too old for apostleship (Gen 12:4).
- ✓ Long-term concern: the need to be prepared to see only a glimpse of the ultimate result of your choice and sacrifice (Jer 29:5-12).
- ✓ Move from an exile mentality to an apostle mentality. Pray for and work for the good of the people to which you are sent, for your own welfare's sake. (Jer 29:7)
- ✓ The apostolic vision is multiplicative. We aren't simply interested in converts, or even in disciples, but in apostles, who also obey the command to "go". (Matt 28:19-20)
- ✓ Jesus promises power to his apostles (Acts 1:8, Luke 9:1, 10:19).
- ✓ Apostleship requires radical dependence on God (Genesis, Luke)
- ✓ Receive hospitality, be served: then serve. Look for ways to be able to depend on God through the people you are ministering to.
- ✓ Build deep relationships, with partners, with those to whom you are sent. (Luke)
- ✓ Look for strategic opportunities: places of worship, culturally near non-Christians, power encounters (Acts 16). Strategy and plans but also be flexible and responsive (Paul in jail).
- ✓ Use our freedom to advance the gospel wherever we are, however we can (1 Cor 9), whenever (2 Tim 4:2).

- ▼ Entrust the gospel to people in such a way that it will be multiplied (2 Tim 2:2).
- ▼ Don't waste passion on "everyday affairs" (2 Tim 2:4). Be single-minded.
- ▼ Address current issues of cultural idolatry. Don't simply go with the flow (2 Tim 4:3).
- ▼ Compete according to the rules: be prepared to suffer (1 Cor 9, 2 Tim).