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"As you go, preach the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils."



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Dear Friends in **Christ**,

"And the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of **The Glory of The Lord**"

I have just returned from an extremely tiring but fruitful trip from the "Top of The World"---Nepal, in the Himalayas.

This was my second trip to Nepal, but my first time since the Marxist, communist took over control of the Govt. (Spring 08).

Partnering with me was good friend, Jay Newsom of "Hope of The World Ministries".

The trip was extremely challenging due to many factors.

It took 11 different plane connections in all---every day was trekking (walking) in mountainous landscape---crossing small fast running rivers (sometimes walking across with help)---altitude height on some days created difficulty going up hills---spending the night in villages up the mountain---

Combine all of this with young Marxist rebels all around us who have been fighting the gov't. for many years and even killing people in a local village we slept in plus my age of 60 years---plus having had 3 different knee operations in a prior life.....well---it was a physically challenging trip---but **God** and your prayers made a way!

The country of Nepal is a very strong Hindu country but as you travel up toward the Northern 1/3, it is a mixture, with Tibetan Buddhism. The country is about 95% totally unreached with the gospel with very few churches and no public communication of any kind of the Christian religion.

We worked with a wonderful young Christian ministry. They were a real blessing to work with.

It took us 4 days and 5 air flights just to reach the western hills of Nepal.

Upon arrival to the western town of Nepal, we immediately drove 4 ½ hours through mountain roads to our final (for a few days) village. From there we rode local buses (you've got to see to believe) as far as we could, then we set out walking and walking---and more walking.

Each day we would go a different direction and the people of the small mountain villages would gather to hear "a message from God"!

The very first day we rode a bus for 20-30 minutes then we proceeded to walk for 3 ½ hours up a mountain to a small village. About 250 had gathered and I preached on "Jesus, the only True God". The people listened very well but only 4-5 people came forward to receive **Christ**! These brave 4-5 people were risking family and village persecution in front of 250 unbelievers who had all heard the gospel for the 1st time.

After prayer, we prayed for the sick, blind, deaf & crippled. The first person was a totally blind, (both eyes) lady. The **Lord** confirmed **His Word** and completely healed the lady. Her village friends checked her out and they were totally at a loss for words. The next man was nearly totally blind also (he could barely see his hand 1 inch from his eyes)--the **Lord** healed him, then everyone started coming forward for healing prayer.

The Lord also healed a deaf-mute who had never heard or spoken. **Glory to God!**

They then brought a severely demonized woman to us and after 2 ½ hours she was not yet totally free. By this time, Jay & I were physically and spiritually exhausted. It was getting dark so we retired to the village house to eat (rice & curry) & sleep.

The next morning they brought the girl back to us to continue casting out devils.

The Holy Spirit then spoke to us with a Word of knowledge that the girl had been to the local witch doctor and she became pregnant by him! As she repented of this sin, we saw a snake leave her and she was totally set free by the power of the Holy Spirit and the name of Jesus! Praise God!

That was only the beginning of what was to be a day that I'll never forget.

Immediately, we set out through the mountains to walk to another village.

We were trying to keep up with our guides at their pace (they're very used to Mt. walking) and the unbelievable hard terrain, (huge rocks, rocky river bottoms, steep hills, quick steep, rocky drops) plus my age and 265 pounds of body weight--after 3 ½ hours I told the Lord "I'm not going to make it out of here unless you give me supernatural strength!" We finally arrived at the next village, totally exhausted. It was Jay's turn to preach (which was fine to me) about 200 people gathered and only 1 came forward and said "if your God heals me, I'll pray to receive Him as my only God", we prayed, she got healed and promptly said "I will not pray to your God," and walked away.---well---at that point, our guide said "we need to get going---more walking before dark".

We set out again and was I wondering how I would make it---but God gave grace and we all made it back to our village by dark.

Jay and I couldn't believe what kind of day we had. We were too tired to even eat hardly anything.

Day after day we kept on going, carrying the gospel to the totally unreached people. By the end of the trip we had preached the gospel to over 1,000 unreached people who had heard the gospel for the 1st time.

In all only 39 received salvation, 7 blind eyes opened and one deaf mute healed.

The people that we worked with said "we have never seen a ministry like this---to go up into the mountains and preach out in the open to non-believers ---this is truly a great thing that God has done!" The Lord spoke to me and said that this trip was a seed planting trip--to carry and plant the cross in a totally dark area---others would reap the harvest one day. Paul said, "some plant, some harvest but God gives the increase".

One of the highlights of the trip was when we returned from the western mountains. As they picked us up, our host said "I have a surprise for you---you're going to be the 1st foreigners (as far as they knew) to publicly baptize (in a river) new believers. Wow, what a privilege! Jay and I baptized 5 new believers. The next day we preached at the mother church (200 people) and released the power of the Holy Spirit to the congregation. Many were slain in the Spirit---many were speaking in tongues, and 7-8 testified of being instantly healed---Praise God!

Nepal is a country (run by communist Marxist) that desperately needs the gospel light! We plan to return in April and go to the Tibet border if we can!

"To God Be The Glory"

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Matt 10:7, 8

P.S. Yes, we flew right by, almost touching the summit of Mt. Everest ! Praise God !