## Help Others Get into God's Family by Rick Warren — August 10, 2022

If you are a follower of Jesus Christ, God has given you a mission in this world. "*In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world.*" John 17:18 (The Message) You're not here just to take up space; you're not here just to strive after your own personal goals.

You have an assignment from God himself. Once you're in God's family, your life changes. You have a new reason for living. Your life isn't about you anymore; it's about God's mission.

God's mission for you fits into his mission for all of history. God created everything in the universe because he wanted a family. He didn't need Earth. He didn't need the other planets. He didn't need the stars. He created all of it because he knew some of the people he created would willingly choose to be part of his family.

The mission that God first gave Jesus he now gives to the body of Christ—the church. Once you know Jesus, you have to go! You must tell your friends and family about him. But you can't stop there. God has never made anyone he doesn't want saved. He loves everyone—across the entire globe.

God wants you to live out his mission everywhere: in your family, your community, and the world. His mission for your life is both global and local. The Bible says, "Now the Lord says to me, 'It isn't enough for you to be merely my servant. You must do more than lead back survivors from the tribes of Israel. I have placed you here as a light for other nations; you must take my saving power to everyone on earth"" (Isaiah 49:6 CEV).

That's God's plan for the world. That's his mission for you. He wants everyone on Earth to know him. And he wants to use you to make that happen.

God's words in Isaiah aren't just for missionaries or pastors. If you're in his family, he gave his mission to you!

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