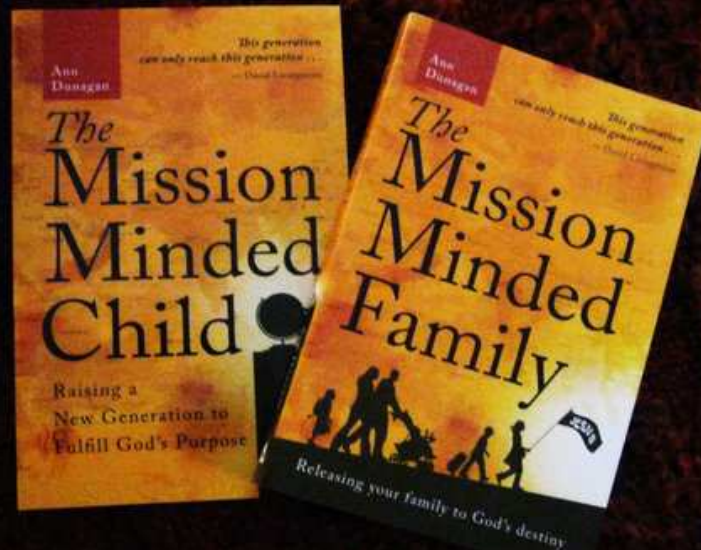




MISSION-MINDED  
**FAMILIES**  
with Ann Dunagan

*"Missions is not just for missionaries; God's call is for all."*



*A 4-week study guide for small groups and mentoring, utilizing:  
**The Mission-Minded Child & The Mission-Minded Family***

**A Study of World Missions  
for Christian Families**

# **Welcome!**

***“Missions is not just for missionaries; God’s call is for all.”***

*-- Ann Dunagan, The Mission-Minded Family*

*Welcome to “Mission-Minded FAMILIES” a study of world missions, for “normal” Christian families. Over these 4 weeks, we will focus on God’s Greatest Commandment (to love God and to love others - see Matthew 22:36-39) and God’s Great Commission (to share God’s love with the world - see Matthew 28:18-19 and Mark 16:16).*

*As Bible-believing Christian families, we’re ALL called to help expand God’s kingdom, in whatever sphere of influence and location God has placed us. No matter where we live, or what job we do for a living, we’re all called to participate in sharing the love of Jesus and supporting God’s worldwide mission purposes. Together as families, and as individuals, we can all become more effective for eternity, as ambassadors for Jesus Christ.*

## **4-Week Outline**

Each week will include mission mottos and quotes, get-to-know-you questions, an introduction to a classic mission hero, and a mission-minded family theme.

Week 1      Our Call to World Missions

Is there still a need for world missions?  
Why go overseas when we have so many needs here?  
Aren’t all cultures equally valid? Why should we try to change cultures?  
Why go to those remote “heathen” tribes? Wouldn’t they be better off . . .

Week 2      Our Biblical Basis for World Missions

Are the lost really lost?

Week 3      Praying and Giving as a Mission-Minded Family

Week 4      Three Powerful Dynamics of a Mission-Minded Family

1. Eternally Minded
2. In SUB-mission to God
3. Strategically Aimed

# Leader's Guide: Week 1

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Week 1 Reading:  
TMMC, ch. 1-3

Note "Teaching  
Opportunities"

## Welcome to MISSION-MINDED FAMILIES!

Introduce the overall vision and purpose of this 4-week study (review class welcome and outline) and then introduce today's Week One mission-minded theme: **OUR CALL TO MISSIONS:**

"Strange images may come to mind as you think of the words, 'MISSIONS' or 'MISSIONARY,' but as followers of Jesus, we're all to obey God's Greatest Commandment and Great Commission."

Opening Prayer - Invite someone in the group to open in prayer

## Interaction & Participation:

MISSION-MOTTO STARTER CARDS: After you welcome everyone and open in prayer, distribute the Week 1 Mission-Motto Starter Cards and have different people from around the room read these cards aloud. (All of these quotes will be included for the families at the end of the study guide.)

GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION: Encourage each person to answer this question (and express interest in their thoughts): What is one specific world need that concerns you, or "tugs" at your heart?

MISSIONARY HERO: David Livingstone. Africa Missionary Explorer. (Have an expressive person read his Mission-Minded Monologue #5 - TMMC, p. 80-81.)

## Reading & Study: (Before you begin, refer to the worksheet fill-in-the-blanks, and the 4 BIG questions)

Read from Ch, 3 - Our Call (Have several people read individual sections) (TMMC - p. 23-30).

As Christian families, our primary calling is to **KNOW** and **LOVE** the Lord... (TMMC - p. 23)

Our primary mission is to **GLORIFY** God in and through our lives  
and to make Him **KNOWN** throughout the **EARTH**. (TMMC - p. 24)

What are some blessings our family often takes for granted? (TMMC - p. 24-25)

Why has God blessed our family? (Luke 12:48) What is our responsibility? (TMMC - p. 25)

4 Big Mission Questions (Note to leader: Question #5 will be covered next week)

#1. Is there still a need for world missions? (TMMC - p. 23-25)

#2. Why go overseas when we have so many needs... (TMMC - p. 25-26)

#3. Aren't all cultures equally valid? Why should we try to change... (TMMC - p. 26-28)

#4. Why go to those remote heathen tribes? Wouldn't they probably be better off... (TMMC - p. 28-30)

## Conclusion: "We're blessed to be a blessing to others!"

Have someone read "A Passion for Souls" (TMMC - p. 19)

Closing Prayer - Invite someone in the group to close in prayer

## Week 1 - Mission-Motto Starter Cards

**“The mission of the church  
is missions.”**

**David Livingstone**  
Missionary Explorer to Africa

**“Give me the love  
that will lead the way . . .  
the passion that will  
burn like fire.”**

**Amy Carmichael**  
Missionary to  
India

**“Missions is not  
an option to consider, but  
a command to obey.”**

**Hudson Taylor**  
Missionary to  
China

**“The Great Commission  
is the Great Adventure  
of Christianity.”**

**Ron Luce**  
Founder of Teen Mania

**“I have seen the Vision  
and for self I cannot live.  
Life is less than worthless,  
till my all I give.”**

**Oswald J. Smith**  
International  
Missionary Evangelist

**“Expect great things from God.  
Attempt great things for God.”**

**William Carey**  
Missionary to India  
(known as the “Father of  
Modern Day Missions”)

# Study Worksheet Week 1:

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**Week 1 Reading:**  
TMMC, ch. 1-3

**Note "Teaching Opportunities"**

## Today's Theme: Our Call to World Missions

"Strange images may come to mind as you think of the words, 'MISSIONS' or 'MISSIONARY,' but as followers of Jesus, we're all called to God's Great Commandment & Great Commission."

**What is the Greatest Commandment?**

(Matthew 22:36-39)

**What is the Great Commission?**

(Matthew 28:18-19, Mark 16:15)

### Interaction & Participation: GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:

What is one specific world need that concerns you, or "tugs" at your heart?

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What are some specific needs that others in this group are concerned about?

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### Reading & Mission Study: Read from Ch. 3 - Our Call (TMMC - p. 23-30)

As Christians, our primary calling is to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.

Our primary mission is to \_\_\_\_\_ God in and through our lives,

and to make Him \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the \_\_\_\_\_.



Who was **DAVID LIVINGSTONE?** (1832-1905)

**Country Focus:**

**Quotes/Highlights:**

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(TMMC, p. 80-81, and TMMF, p. 64-66)

What are some “blessings” our family often takes for granted? (TMMC - p. 24-25)

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Why has God blessed our family? What is our responsibility? (TMMC - p. 25, Luke 12:48)

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#### 4 Big Mission Questions

#1. Is there still a need for world missions?

#2. Why go overseas when we have so many needs in our own country?

#3. Aren't all cultures equally valid? Why should we try to change other people's cultures?

#4. Why go to those remote heathen tribes? Wouldn't they probably be better off just left as they are?

#### Conclusion: “As Christians, we’re blessed to be a blessing to others!”

Classic Mission Quotation: “A Passion for Souls” (TMMC - p. 19)



#### **ASSIGNMENT - Week 1 Our Call to World Missions**

Read TMMC, Chapters 1-3. Note “Teaching Opportunities” (on p. 4, 11, 18, and 34) with your children.

Display a mission vision in your home: hang up a map, get out a globe, or put mission books in your living room.





**Welcome everyone back!**

Introduce this week's theme: **OUR BIBLICAL BASIS FOR WORLD MISSIONS.**

Key phrase: **"God's heart for the world--and our obligation as His followers to take the gospel to the ends of the earth--is a central theme throughout the entire word of God."**

Opening Prayer - **Invite someone in the group to open in prayer**

**Interaction & Participation:**

MISSION-MOTTO STARTER CARDS: **After you welcome everyone and open in prayer, distribute the Week 2 Mission-Motto Starter Cards and have different people from around the room read these cards aloud. (All of these quotes will be included for the families at the end of the study guide.)**

GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION: **Encourage each person to answer this question (and express interest in their thoughts):** Have you, or has anyone in your family, traveled to a foreign country? Were you a tourist, or on a mission trip? What were some cultural highlights you experienced?

MISSIONARY HERO: Amy Carmichael (1867 - 1951) Single Missionary to India. Known for having a fervent passion for the lost, rescuing young girls from Hindu temple prostitution, and motivating for world missions. **(Have an expressive woman read her Missionary Monologue - TMMC, p. 86-87.)**

**Reading & Mission Study: (Theme: Are the lost really lost? What is our Biblical Basis for Missions?)**

Read the last question from chapter 3 - Are the lost really lost? (TMMC - p. 30-37)

Ask the questions at the end of the Starfish story. (TMMC - p. 37)

Read Ch. 4: Our Biblical Basis (TMMC - p. 39-42)  
 Point out Bible chart on p. 43-45, but don't read this whole chart aloud.

**Conclusion: "We're blessed to be a blessing to others!"**

Have someone read "Thy Brother's Blood, by Amy Carmichael" (from this Study Guide, p. 11)

Closing Prayer - **Invite someone in the group to close in prayer**

## Week 2 - Mission-Motto Starter Cards

**“Some wish to live  
within the sound of church and  
chapel bell.  
I want to run a rescue shop  
within a yard of hell!”**

**C.T. Studd**

Missionary to China & Africa  
(Recruited hundreds of missionaries)

**“This generation can only reach  
this generation.”**

**David Livingstone**

Missionary Explorer to Africa

**“If you take missions  
out of the Bible, you  
won’t have anything left  
but the covers.”**

**Nina Gunter**

Nazarene Missions

**“Oh that I could  
spend every moment  
of my life to  
God’s glory!”**

**David Brainerd**

Early Missionary to  
Native Americans

**“Anywhere, provided it  
be forward.”**

**David Livingstone**

Missionary Explorer to Africa

**“Let my heart be broken  
with the things that  
break God’s heart.”**

**Bob Pierce**

Founder of World Vision

# Study Worksheet Week 2:

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Week 2 Reading:  
TMMC, ch. 4-6

Note "Teaching  
Opportunities"

## Today's Theme: Our Biblical Basis for World Missions

"God's heart for the world--and our obligation as His followers to take the gospel to the ends of the earth--is a central theme throughout the entire word of God."

### Interaction & Participation: GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:

Have you, or has anyone in your family, traveled to a foreign country?  
Were you a tourist, or on a mission trip? What were some cultural highlights you experienced?

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### Reading & Mission Study:

Why does the word "heathen" have a negative connotation? Why is this word important to missions?

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Does God have an "alternative" way for people to be saved, other than salvation through Jesus Christ?

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Are the lost really lost? Are you "bothered" by this question, or God's "fairness" . . . or by the need?

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Who was **AMY CARMICHAEL?** (1832-1905)

**Country Focus:**

**Quotes/Highlights:**

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(TMMC, p. 85-87)

What are some examples of God’s heart for all nations in Old Testament? (TMMC - chart: 43-44)

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What was the story of the “Scarlet Cord” from the story of Joshua and the Battle of Jericho?

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What does this Scarlet Cord symbolize, and how does this apply to our understanding of the Biblical basis for world missions?

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What do these Bible verses tell us about the eternal condition of the lost and our need to share the Gospel:

John 3:3

John 3:18

John 14:6

Acts 4:12

Romans 3:23

Romans 6:23

Romans 10:14-15

**Conclusion: “As Christians, we need God’s PASSION for the lost!”**

Classic Mission Quotation, by Amy Carmichael “Thy Brother’s Blood” (next 2 pages)



**ASSIGNMENT - Week 2 Our Biblical Basis for World Missions**

Read TMMC, Chapters 4-6. - Copy page 42 “The Great Commission in Every Gospel” and put on your fridge.

Make a “10 Most Wanted” list of people you know who need Jesus. Put their pictures on your fridge and pray.



# Thy Brother's Blood Crieth

A Vision of Lost Souls –By Amy Carmichael - (See Ezekiel 3:18-19)



**The tom-toms thumped straight on all night, and the darkness shuddered 'round me like a living, feeling thing . . .**

I could not go to sleep, so I lay awake and looked; and I saw, as it seemed, this . . .

That I stood on a grassy precipice, and at my feet a crevice broke down into infinite space. I looked, but saw no bottom; only cloud shapes, black and furiously coiled, and great shadow-shrouded hollows, and unfathomable depths. Back I drew, dizzy at the depth.

Then I saw forms of people moving in single file along the grass. They were making for the edge. There was a woman with a baby in her arms and another little child holding onto her dress. She was on the very verge . . . Then I saw that she was blind. She lifted her foot for the next step . . . it trod air.

She was over, and the children over with her. Oh, the cry as they went over!

Then I saw more streams of people flowing from all quarters. All were blind, stone blind; and all made straight for the crevice's edge. They were shrieks as they suddenly knew in themselves that they were falling, and a tossing up of helpless arms, catching, clutching at empty air.

But some went over quietly and fell without a sound.

Then I wondered with a wonder that was simply agony, why no one stopped them at the edge. I could not; I was glued to the ground. And I could not call; though I strained and tried, only a whisper would come. Then I saw that along the edge there were guards set at intervals. But the intervals were too great; there were wide, unguarded gaps between.

And over these gaps the people fell in their blindness, quite unwarned; and the green grass seemed blood-red to me, and the gulf yawned like the mouth of hell.

Then I saw, like a little picture of peace, a group of people under some trees with their backs turned towards the gulf. They were making daisy chains...

Sometimes when a piercing shriek cut the quiet air and reached them, it disturbed them and they thought it a rather vulgar noise. And if one of their number started up and wanted to go and do something to help, then all the others would pull that one down. "Why should you get all excited about it? You must wait for a definite call to go! You haven't finished your daisy chain yet. It would be really selfish," they said, "to leave us to finish the work alone."

*(continued on next page)*

There was another group . . . It was made up of people whose great desire was to get more guards out; but they found that very few wanted to go, and sometimes there were no guards set for miles and miles of the edge.

One girl stood alone in her place, waving the people back; but her mother and other relations called, and reminded her that her furlough was due; she must not break the rules. And being tired and needing a change, she had to go and rest for a while; but no one was sent to guard her gap, and over and over the people fell, like a waterfall of souls.

Once a child caught at a tuft of grass that grew at the very brink of the gulf; it clung convulsively, and it called – but nobody seemed to hear. Then the roots of the grass gave way, and with a cry the child went over, the two little hands still holding right to the torn-off bunch of grass.

And the girl who longed to be back in her gap thought she heard the little one cry, and she sprang up and wanted to go; at which they reproved her, reminding her that no one is necessary anywhere; they gap would be well taken care of, they knew. And then they sang a hymn.

Then through the hymn came another sound like the pain of a million broken hearts wrung out in one full drop, one sob. And a horror of great darkness was upon me, for I knew what it was; the cry of the blood.

Then thundered a voice, the voice of the Lord. And He said, “What hast thou done? The voice of thy brother’s blood crieth unto Me from the ground.”

The tom-toms still beat heavily, and darkness still shuddered and shivered about me. I heard the yells of the devil-dancers and weird, wild shrieks of the devil-possessed just outside the gate. – What does it matter, after all? It has gone on for years; it will go on for years. Why make such a fuss about it? –

God forgive us! God arouse us! Shame us out of our callousness! Shame us out of our sin!

**“Give me the love  
that leads the way . . .  
The passion  
that will burn like fire.”  
–Amy Carmichael**

*SOURCE: Carmichael, Amy, Thy Brother’s Blood Crieth (India: the Dohnavur Fellowship). Obtained from an article from Bethany Fellowship, Inc, Minneapolis, MN.*

# Leader's Guide: Week 3

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**Week 3 Reading:**  
TMMC, Ch. 7-9

**"Praying & Giving as a  
Mission-Minded Family"**

## Welcome everyone back!

Introduce this week's theme: **PRAYING & GIVING as a MISSION-MINDED FAMILY**

Key phrases: ". . . all of us as Christians are equally called to do our unique part in helping to fulfill the Great Commission; whether we're called to go or to pray or to give, the level of commitment to God's purposes should be the same for all of us . . . God has blessed us for a bigger purposes than merely to satisfy our own wants and desires." (page 154 TMMC).

Opening Prayer - Invite someone in the group to open in prayer

## Interaction & Participation:

**MISSION-MOTTO STARTER CARDS:** After you welcome everyone and open in prayer, distribute the Week 3 Mission-Motto Starter Cards and have different people from around the room read these cards aloud. (All of these quotes will be included for the families at the end of the study guide.)

**GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:** Encourage each person to answer this question (and express interest in their thoughts): Has anyone in your family ever felt strongly about supporting a local or international mission project? How did you hear about the need?

**MISSIONARY HEROES:** Hudson Taylor (1832-1905) (TMMC - p. 83-84 - Have an expressive person read this missionary monologue). Country focus: CHINA (Founder of China Inland Missions). Highlights: Hudson Taylor was known as a man of mission and a man of personal prayer. In TMMF, p. 69, focus on the priority Hudson & Maria Taylor placed on raising their own family, and the positive results

## Reading & Mission Study:

(Theme: Praying & Giving as a Mission-Minded Family)

Point out that chapter 8 is all about encouraging parents to help their children establish a daily personal quiet time. The best encouragement is **EXAMPLE**. Encourage parents to be faithful in consistent daily time with the Lord (and let your kids see you praying & reading your Bible.) A **BIBLE CHART** can be helpful for discipline <http://www.bible-reading.com/bible-plan.pdf> (but encourage consistency and hearing from God through His word, not just checking-boxes.

Read aloud chapter 9, "Missions and Money"

(TMMC - p. 153-158 top)

## Conclusion: "We're blessed to be a blessing to others!"

Have someone read "A PRAYER", by Missionary Martyr, Betty Scott Stam  
Closing Prayer - Invite someone in the group to close in prayer

(TMMC - p. 91)

## Week 3 - Mission-Motto Starter Cards

**“God isn’t looking for people of great faith, but for individuals ready to follow Him.”**

**Hudson Taylor**  
Missionary to China

**“Why should anyone hear the Gospel twice, before everyone’s heard it once?”**

**Oswald J. Smith**  
International Missionary  
Evangelist

**“A man may die leaving upwards of a million, without taking any of it upwards.”**

**William Fetler**

**“If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for Him.”**

**C.T. Studd**  
Missionary to Africa & Asia

**“In our lifetime, wouldn’t it be sad if we spent more time washing dishes or swatting flies or mowing the yard or watching television than praying for world missions?”**

**- Dave Davidson**

**“Go, send, or disobey.”**

**John Piper**  
Minister and Author of  
“Don’t Waste Your Life”

# Study Worksheet Week 3:

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Week 3 Reading:  
TMMC, ch. 7-9

Praying & Giving as a  
Mission-Minded Family”

## Today's Theme: Praying and Giving as a Mission-Minded Family

“ . . . all of us as Christians are equally called to do our unique part in helping to fulfill the Great Commission; whether we're called to go or to pray or to give, the level of commitment to God's purposes should be the same for all of us . . . God has blessed us for a bigger purposes than merely to satisfy our own wants and desires.” (page 154 TMMC).

### Interaction & Participation: GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:

Can you share a time when you prayed for an international mission project?  
Do you get any missionary prayer newsletters? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Reading & Mission Study:

MISSIONS & PRAYER:

Where and when do you pray? If you haven't been consistent, pray for God's GRACE to help you.

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Look at the list of QUIET TIME accessories on page 146-147. What do you enjoy using for your quiet time?

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Have you encouraged your kids to read (or listen to) the Bible? Do you show them by your example?

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Who was **HUDSON TAYLOR?** (1832-1905)

**Country Focus:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Quotes/Highlights:** \_\_\_\_\_

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(TMMC, p. 82-85. Also TMMF p. 69)

**MISSIONS & MONEY:**

How is money both a “little thing” and a “big thing” in our lives? (TMMC, p. 153-154)

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How does the Christian church spend every dollar?

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Personal question: What percentage does our family give to God? How much goes to missions?

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In the Sermon on the Mount, (specifically in Matthew 6) what did Jesus teach about prayer and money?

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Recommended mission-minded prayer books:

Operation World (A guide to learning and praying for every nation in the world)

Window on the World (The children’s version, with full-color photos)

Tracking Your Walk - YWAM

**Conclusion: “As Christians, we need God’s PASSION for the lost!”**

Classic Mission Quotation, by Betty Scott Stam “A PRAYER” (TMMC - p. 91)



**ASSIGNMENT - Week 3 Praying and Giving as a Mission-Minded Family**

Read TMMC, Chapters 7-9. Establish a daily personal prayer time. Encourage your children to pray individually.

Re-evaluate your family giving, with specific attention to your family’s giving to WORLD MISSIONS)





**Welcome everyone back!**

Introduce this week's theme: **3 Powerful Dynamics of a MISSION-MINDED FAMILY**

Key phrase: ". . . all of" (page 154 TMMC).

Opening Prayer - **Invite someone in the group to open in prayer**

**Interaction & Participation:**

**MISSION-MOTTO STARTER CARDS:** After you welcome everyone and open in prayer, distribute the **Week 4 Mission-Motto Starter Cards** and have different people from around the room read these cards aloud. (All of these quotes will be included for the families at the end of the study guide.)

**GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:**

**Encourage each person to answer this question (and express interest in their thoughts):** What is a unique strength or a particular combo-of-talents or desires and callings that your family has? How do you think your family could be most effectively used for God's Kingdom purposes?

**MISSIONARY HEROES:** (Focus on 2 good examples of ministers who balanced family and ministry)

George Mueller (1832-1905) (TMMF - Read section at the top of p. 69) - known for PRAYER LIFE  
Country focus - Orphan ministry in Bristol, England, followed by Ministry throughout the world

William & Catherine Booth - Founders of the Salvation Army - Known for balancing home and ministry - (TMMF - read bottom of page 72 to page 73 - section describing the Booth's home life)

**Reading & Mission Study:**

ETERNALLY FOCUSED? - SUB-mission to GOD? - STRATEGICALLY AIMED?

Guarding the Gates of Your Home - EYE GATE - EAR GATE - MOUTH GATE

DIVINE TENSION for your FAMILY BOW - Balancing our Passions

**Conclusion: "We're blessed to be a blessing to others!"**

Have someone read "Farewell to the Balanced Life"

Closing Prayer - **Invite someone in the group to close in prayer**

## Week 4 - Mission-Motto Starter Cards

**“God had an only Son,  
and He made Him  
a missionary.”**

**David Livingstone**  
Missionary Explorer  
to Africa

**“God’s work  
done in God’s way  
will never lack  
God’s supply.”**

**Hudson Taylor**  
Missionary to China

**“If you don’t have a definite  
call to stay here,  
you are called to GO.”**

**Keith Green**  
Song Writer &  
Mission-Minded Musician

**“Lost people matter  
to God, and so they  
must matter  
to us!”**

**Keith Write**

**“Missionary zeal does  
not grow out of  
intellectual beliefs,  
nor out of  
theological arguments,  
but out of love.”**

**Ronald Allen**

**“Missions is not just  
for missionaries;  
God’s call is  
for all.”**

**Ann Dunagan**  
The Mission-Minded Family

# Study Worksheet: Week 4

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Week 4 Reading:  
TMMF (esp. ch. 2)

“3 Powerful Dynamics of a  
Mission-Minded Family”

## Today's Theme: 3 Powerful Dynamics of a Mission-Minded Family

“. . . all of us as Christians are equally called to do our unique part in helping to fulfill the Great Commission; whether we're called to go or to pray or to give, the level of commitment to God's purposes should be the same for all of us . . . God has blessed us for a bigger purposes than merely to satisfy our own wants and desires.” (page 154 TMMC).

### Interaction & Participation: GET-TO-KNOW-YOU QUESTION:

What are a few unique strength or a particular combo-of-callings that your family cares about?  
How do you think your family could be most effectively focused for God's Kingdom?

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### Reading & Mission Study:

What does it mean to be ETERNALLY FOCUSSED?

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What does it mean to live in SUB-mission to GOD?

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What does it mean to be STRATEGICALLY AIMED?

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Who was **GEORGE MULLER?** (1805-1898)

Country Focus: \_\_\_\_\_

Quotes/Highlights: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MISSION-MINDED LEADERSHIP (Read The Mission-Minded Family - page 31)**

**As parents, we need to guard the gates of our home!**

**Examples of dangers through the EYE GATE - EAR GATE - THOUGHT/MOUTH GATE:**

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**What does it mean to train our kids to be both leadership!**

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DIVINE TENSION FOR OUR FAMILY BOW

(TMMF - p. 37-38)

**The Praying Mommas and the Screaming Babies**

How does this mission story relate to the typical North American Christian mom, or dad?

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Every Family Needs this Balance

(TMMF - p. 41-42)

FAREWELL TO THE BALANCED LIFE -

(TMMF - p. 44-45)

*QUOTE for DISCUSSION:*

*“God is not calling us to win the world and, in the process, lost our families. But I have known those who so enshrined family life and were so protective of “quality time” that the children never saw in their parents the kind of consuming love that made their parents’ faith attractive to them. Some have lost their children, not because they weren’t at their soccer games or didn’t take family vacations, but because they never transitted a loyalty to Jesus that went deep enough to interrupt their personal preferences.”  
(from The Missions Addiction, by David Shibley).*

What kind of balance -- or family “alignment” -- shoots the straightest and most powerful arrows?

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**ASSIGNMENT - Week 4 - 3 Powerful Dynamics of a Mission-Minded Family**

Read The Mission-Minded Family - page 1-45

Brainstorm as a family and seek God for what your family should focus on - to help expand God's Kingdom



# 100 Missionary Mottos & Missionary Quotes

Get motivated for God's Great Commission with these 100 inspiring missionary mottos and missionary quotes. As missionary evangelist and spokesman Oswald J. Smith said, *"Why should anyone hear the Gospel twice, before everyone has heard it once?"*

Ponder these powerful mission-minded quotes. Memorize them. Recall them in prayer. Use them in speaking and preaching. Post them on facebook and twitter. Teach them to your kids and teens. And best yet, get inspired . . . to GIVE, to PRAY, to MOTIVATE, and to GO!!!

"Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."  
- Jesus Christ (THE GREAT COMMISSION – Mark 16:15)

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations..."  
- Jesus Christ (THE GREAT COMMISSION – Matthew 28:19)

## 100 Mission Mottos

1. A man may die leaving upwards of a million, without taking any of it upwards.  
– William Fetler
2. A nation will not be moved by timid methods.  
- Luis Palau
3. Anywhere provided it be forward.  
– David Livingstone
4. As long as there are millions destitute of the Word of God and knowledge of Jesus Christ, it will be impossible for me to devote time and energy to those who have both.  
- J. L. Ewen
5. Can't you do just a little bit more?  
- J.G. Morrison (pleading with Nazarenes in the 1930's Great Depression to support missionaries)
6. Christ alone can save the world, but Christ cannot save the world alone.  
- David Livingstone
7. Christ not only died for all: He died for each.  
- Billy Graham
8. Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God.  
- William Carey
9. Go straight for souls, and go for the worst.  
– William Booth
10. Go, send, or disobey.  
- John Piper

11. God had an only Son and He made Him a missionary.

- David Livingstone

12. God isn't looking for people of great faith, but for individuals ready to follow Him.

- Hudson Taylor

13. God uses men who are weak and feeble enough to lean on him.

- Hudson Taylor

14. God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply.

- Hudson Taylor

15. He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.

- Jim Elliot

16. I am destined to proclaim the message, unmindful of personal consequences to myself.

- Count Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf

17. I believe that in each generation God has called enough men and women to evangelize all the yet unreached tribes of the earth. It is not God who does not call. It is man who will not respond!

- Isobel Kuhn, missionary to China and Thailand

18. If God wills the evangelization of the world, and you refuse to support missions, then you are opposed to the will of God.

- Oswald J. Smith

#### 19. HUDSON TAYLOR – THE PROGRESSION OF A MISSIONARY CALL:

As child, at age 5:

When I am a man, I mean to be a missionary and go to China.

As a young man:

I feel I cannot go on living unless I do something for China.

Late in life, as a veteran missionary:

If I had 1,000 lives, I'd give them all for China.

- Hudson Taylor, Missionary to China

20. I have but one candle of life to burn, and I would rather burn it out in a land filled with darkness than in a land flooded with light.

- John Keith Falconer

21. I have but one passion: It is He, it is He alone. The world is the field and the field is the world; and henceforth that country shall be my home where I can be most used in winning souls for Christ.

- Count Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf

22. I have seen the vision and for self I cannot live; Life is less than worthless till my all I give.

- Oswald J. Smith

23. It is easier to be an excessive fanatic than to be consistently faithful, because God causes an amazing humbling of our religious conceit when we are faithful to Him.  
- Oswald Chambers
24. I pray, and I obey.  
- David Yonggi Cho
25. I want to be where there are out and out pagans.  
- Francis Xavier
26. I would rather die for Christ than rule the whole earth.  
- Ignatius
27. If a commission by an earthly king is considered an honor, how can a commission by a Heavenly King be considered a sacrifice?  
- David Livingstone
28. If God's love is for anybody anywhere, it's for everybody everywhere.  
- Edward Lawlor, Nazarene General Superintendent
29. If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for Him.  
- C.T. Studd
30. If missions languish, it is because the whole life of godliness is feeble. The command to go everywhere and preach to everybody is not obeyed until the will is lost by self-surrender in the will of God. Living, praying, giving and going will always be found together.  
- Arthur T. Pierson
31. If ten men are carrying a log — nine of them on the little end and one at the heavy end — and you want to help, which end will you lift on?  
- William Borden
32. If the Church is 'in Christ,' she is involved in mission. Her whole existence then has a missionary character. Her conduct as well as her words will convince the unbelievers and put their ignorance and stupidity to silence.  
- David Bosch
33. If the Great Commission is true, our plans are not too big; they are too small.  
- Pat Morley
34. If we have not enough in our religion . . . to share it with all the world, it is doomed here at home.  
- David Livingstone
35. If you don't have a definite call to stay here, you are called to go.  
- Keith Green
36. If you found a cure for cancer, wouldn't it be inconceivable to hide it from the rest of mankind? How much more inconceivable to keep silent the cure from the eternal wages of death.  
- Dave Davidson

37. If you take missions out of the Bible, you won't have anything left but the covers.  
- Nina Gunter
38. In no other way can the believer become as fully involved with God's work, especially the work of world evangelism, as in intercessory prayer.  
- Dick Eastman
39. In our lifetime, wouldn't it be sad if we spent more time washing dishes or swatting flies or mowing the yard or watching television than praying for world missions?  
- Dave Davidson
40. In the vast plain to the north I have sometimes seen, in the morning sun, the smoke of a thousand villages where no missionary has ever been.  
- Robert Moffat
41. It is possible for the most obscure person in a church, with a heart right toward God, to exercise as much power for the evangelization of the world, as it is for those who stand in the most prominent positions.  
- John R. Mott
42. It's better to obey God rather than men.  
- Brother Andrew
43. Let my heart be broken with the things that break God's heart.  
- Bob Pierce, World Vision founder
44. Life is either a daring adventure, or nothing!  
- Helen Keller (she wasn't a missionary, but this is an inspiring mission-minded thought!)
45. Life is precarious, and life is precious. Don't presume you will have it tomorrow, and don't waste it today.  
- John Piper
46. Live God LOUD!  
- Ron Luce, TeenMania
47. Lost people matter to God, and so they must matter to us.  
- Keith Wright
48. Missionary zeal does not grow out of intellectual beliefs, nor out of theological arguments, but out of love.  
- Roland Allen
49. Missions is not just for missionaries; God's call is for all.  
- Ann Dunagan, The Mission-Minded Family
50. Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't. - John Piper
51. Missions is practicing God's presence until His passion compels us to obey.  
- Ann Dunagan, The Mission-Minded Family

52. Missions is the overflow of our delight in God because missions is the overflow of God's delight in being God.

- John Piper

53. Never pity missionaries; envy them. They are where the real action is — where life and death, sin and grace, Heaven and Hell converge.

- Robert C. Shannon

54. No reserves. No retreats. No regrets.

- William Borden

55. Not, how much of my money will I give to God, but, how much of God's money will I keep for myself?

- John Wesley

56. Oh, that I could spend every moment of my life to God's glory!

– David Brainerd

57. Oh, that I had a thousand lives and a thousand bodies! All of them should be devoted to no other employment but to preach Christ to these degraded, despised, yet beloved mortals.

- Robert Moffat

58. One Way: Jesus! One Job: Evangelism!

– T.L. Osborn

59. Only as the church fulfills her missionary obligation does she justify her existence.

- Unknown

60. Our God of Grace often gives us a second chance, but there is no second chance to harvest a ripe crop.

- Kurt von Schleicher

61. Some wish to live within the sound of church and chapel bell. I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell!

– C.T. Studd

62. Someone asked, Will the heathen who have never heard the Gospel be saved? It is more a question with me whether we — who have the Gospel and fail to give it to those who have not — can be saved.

- Charles Spurgeon

63. Tell the students to give up their small ambitions and come eastward to preach the gospel of Christ.

- Francis Xavier

64. The best remedy for a sick church is to put it on a missionary diet.

– David Livingstone

65. This generation can only reach this generation.

– David Livingstone

66. Sympathy is no substitute for action.  
– David Livingstone
67. The Bible is not the basis of missions; missions is the basis of the Bible.  
- Ralph Winter, U.S. Center for World Mission
68. The Christian is not obedient unless he is doing all in his power to send the Gospel to the heathen world.  
- A. B. Simpson
69. The Church must send or the church will end.  
- Mendell Taylor
70. The church that does not evangelize will fossilize.  
- Oswald J. Smith
71. The mission of the church is missions.  
- Oswald J. Smith
72. (Related to the previous quote.) God's mission for the family is expanding God's family.  
- Ann Dunagan, The Mission-Minded Family
73. We talk of the Second Coming; half the world has never heard of the first.  
- Oswald J. Smith
74. The church which ceases to be evangelistic will soon cease to be evangelical.  
- Alexander Duff
75. The gospel is only good news if it gets there in time.  
- Carl F. H. Henry
76. The Great Commission is not an option to be considered; it is a command to be obeyed.  
- Hudson Taylor
77. The Great Commission is the Great Adventure of Christianity.  
- Ron Luce, TeenMania
78. The history of missions is the history of answered prayer.  
- Samuel Zwemer
79. The light that shines farthest shines brightest nearest home.  
- C. T. Studd
80. The mark of a great church is not its seating capacity, but its sending capacity.  
- Mike Stachura
81. There is nothing in the world or the Church – except the church's disobedience – to render the evangelization of the world in this generation an impossibility.  
- Robert Speer

82. The spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions. The nearer we get to Him, the more intensely missionary we become.

- Henry Martyn, missionary to India and Persia

83. The supreme task of the Church is the evangelization of the world.

- Oswald J. Smith

84. The will of God — nothing less, nothing more, nothing else.

- F. E. Marsh (also attributed to Bobby Richardson)

85. To know God and to make Him known.

- Loren Cunningham, YWAM

86. To know the will of God, we need an open Bible and an open map.

- William Carey, pioneer missionary to India

87. Untold millions are still untold.

- John Wesley

88. Walk away from your own preoccupations . . . and see the perishing multitudes.

- K.P. Yohannan, Gospel for Asia

89. We are debtors to every man to give him the gospel in the same measure in which we have received it.

- P.F. Bresee, founder of the Church of the Nazarene

90. We can reach our world, if we will. The greatest lack today is not people or funds. The greatest need is prayer.

- Wesley Duetzel, head of OMS International

91. We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God.

- John Stott

92. What can we do to win these men to Christ?

- Richard Wurmbrand, The Voice of the Martyrs (referring to the men who were persecuting him)

93. Why should anyone hear the Gospel twice, before everyone has heard it once?

-Oswald J. Smith

94. Will you go to His feet and place yourself entirely at His disposal?

- William Booth

95. Will you shed your tears for the souls of the nations?

- Wendi Stranz, Pastor's wife

96. World missions was on God's mind from the beginning.

- Dave Davidson

97. You can give without loving. But you cannot love without giving.

- Amy Carmichael

98. You can't take it with you, but you can send it on ahead.

- Oswald J. Smith

99. You must go or send a substitute.

- Oswald J. Smith

100. You have one business on earth – to save souls.

- John Wesley

## More Missionary Quotes

All men dream, but not equally. Those who dream by night in the dusty recesses of their minds wake in the day to find that it was vanity. But the dreamers of the day are dangerous men, for they may act their dream with open eyes, to make it possible.

- T. E. Lawrence

All my desire was the conversion of the heathen . . . I cared not where or how I lived, or what hardships I went through, so that I could but gain souls to Christ. I declare, now I am dying, I would not have spent my life otherwise for the whole world.

- David Brainerd

Believers who have the gospel keep mumbling it over and over to themselves. Meanwhile, millions who have never heard it once fall into the flames of eternal hell without ever hearing the salvation story.

- K.P. Yohannan, Gospel for Asia

Give me the love that leads the way,  
The faith that nothing can dismay,  
The hope no disappointments tire,  
The passion that will burn like fire;  
Let me not sink to be a clod:  
Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God!

- Amy Carmichael

God is a God of missions. He wills missions. He commands missions. He demands missions. He made missions possible through His Son. He made missions actual in sending the Holy Spirit.

- George W. Peters

God is not calling us to win the world and, in the process, lose our families. But I have known those who so enshrined family life and were so protective of “quality time” that the children never saw in their parents the kind of consuming love that made their parent’s faith attractive to them. Some have lost their children, not because they weren’t at their soccer games or didn’t take family vacations, but because they never transmitted a loyalty to Jesus that went deep enough to interrupt personal preferences.

- David Shibley, (The Missions Addiction)

God is pursuing with omnipotent passion a worldwide purpose of gathering joyful worshipers for Himself from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. He has an inexhaustible enthusiasm for

the supremacy of His name among the nations. Therefore, let us bring our affections into line with His, and, for the sake of His name, let us renounce the quest for worldly comforts and join His global purpose.

- John Piper

I had utterly abandoned myself to Him. Could any choice be as wonderful as His will? Could any place be safer than the center of His will? Did not he assure me by His very presence that His thoughts toward us are good, and not evil? Death to my own plans and desires was almost deliriously delightful. Everything was laid at His nail-scarred feet, life or death, health or illness, appreciation by others or misunderstanding, success or failure as measured by human standards. Only He himself mattered.

- V. Raymond Edman

Life is pitiful, death so familiar, suffering and pain so common, yet I would not be anywhere else. Do not wish me out of this or in any way seek to get me out, for I will not be got out while this trial is on. These are my people, God has given them to me, and I will live or die with for Him and His glory.

- Gladys Aylward

‘Not called!’ did you say? ‘Not heard the call,’ I think you should say. Put your ear down to the Bible, and hear Him bid you go and pull sinners out of the fire of sin. Put your ear down to the burdened, agonized heart of humanity, and listen to its pitiful wail for help. Go stand by the gates of hell, and hear the damned entreat you to go to their father’s house and bid their brothers and sisters and servants and masters not to come there. Then look Christ in the face — whose mercy you have professed to obey — and tell Him whether you will join heart and soul and body and circumstances in the march to publish His mercy to the world.

- William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army

People who do not know the Lord ask why in the world we waste our lives as missionaries. They forget that they too are expending their lives ... and when the bubble has burst, they will have nothing of eternal significance to show for the years they have wasted.

- Nate Saint, missionary martyr

The command has been to ‘go,’ but we have stayed — in body, gifts, prayer and influence. He has asked us to be witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth ... but 99% of Christians have kept puttering around in the homeland.

- Robert Savage, Latin American Mission

The biggest hindrance to the missionary task is self. Self that refuses to die. Self that refuses to sacrifice. Self that refuses to give. Self that refuses to go.

- Thomas Hale – Missionary to Nepal

The concern for world evangelization is not something tacked on to a man’s personal Christianity, which he may take or leave as he chooses. It is rooted in the character of the God who has come to us in Christ Jesus. Thus, it can never be the province of a few enthusiasts, a sideline or a specialty of those who happen to have a bent that way. It is the distinctive mark of being a Christian.

- James S. Stewart

When James Calvert went out as a missionary to the cannibals of the Fiji Islands, the ship captain tried to turn him back, saying, “You will lose your life and the lives of those with you if you go among such savages.” To that, Calvert replied, “We died before we came here.”

- James Calvert

Would that God would make hell so real to us that we cannot rest; heaven so real that we must have men there, Christ so real that our supreme motive and aim shall be to make the Man of Sorrows the Man of Joy by the conversion to him of many.

- Hudson Taylor

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-- Ann Dunagan, The Mission-Minded Family

Lord, I give up  
All my own plans and purposes,  
All my own desires and hopes  
And accept Thy will for my life.  
I give myself, my life, my all,  
Utterly to Thee  
To be Thine forever.  
Fill me and seal me with Thy Holy Spirit.  
Use me as Thou wilt,  
Send me where Thou wilt,  
Work out Thy whole will in my life  
At any cost,  
Now and forever.  
- Betty Scott Stam (Martyred in China, in the 1930s)