

Standing for Religious Freedom
The Application - Preparation

Matthew 24:12-14 (NKJV)

[12] "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. [13] "But he who endures to the end shall be saved. [14]

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

“Nations” there in the Greek is “Ethnos”

a. It does not mean: “Nations” as we view them.

b. It most accurately means: Ethnic (group)

> “Nations” is derived from the Greek: “Ethnos, Ethnikos”

Strong’s Concordance:

(G1484) - Ethnos

probably from 1486; a race (as of the same habit), i.e. a tribe; specially, a foreign (non-Jewish) one (usually, by implication, pagan):--Gentile, heathen, nation, people.

Thayer's Greek/English Lexicon

(G1484) - Ethnos

- 1) A multitude (whether of men or beasts) associated or living together; a company, troop, swarm.**
- 2) A multitude of individuals of the same nature or genus**
- 3) Race, nation.**

Webster: Genus

noun

ge· nus | \ 'jē-nəs, 'je-\

plural **gen era** \ 'je-nə-rə \ *also* **ge nus es**

: a class, kind, or group marked by common characteristics or by one common characteristic *specifically* : a category of biological classification ranking between the family and the species, comprising structurally or phylogenetically (see [PHYLOGENETIC sense 2](#)) related species or an isolated species exhibiting unusual differentiation, and being designated by a Latin or latinized capitalized singular noun

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MISSIONS STATS
THE CURRENT STATE OF THE WORLD

WORLD-WIDE POPULATION

GLOBAL

- 7.56 billion (August 2018 est.)
- Median age - total: 29.7 years
- Life expectancy - total population: 68 years

PEOPLE GROUPS

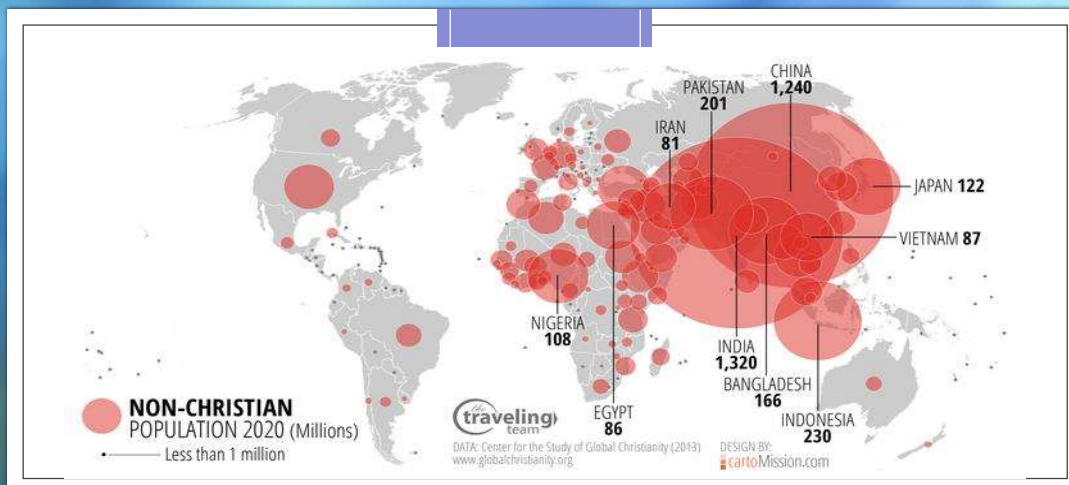
WORLDWIDE

Total People Groups: 16,591

UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS

- Less than 2% Evangelical Christian.
- Total Unreached People Groups: 6,741
- Total Population of UPGs: 3.14 billion people
- Total Percentage of world: UPG's make up 42.2% of world population

WHAT IS THE 10/40 WINDOW?



Most (97%) of the world's unreached people are located geographically in what some scholars call The 10/40 Window from West Africa across Asia between 10 degrees latitude north of the equator to 40 degrees north.

Total Population in 10/40: 4.89 billion people
Total People Groups in 10/40: 8,213 people groups
Total UPG's in 10/40: 5,626 Unreached People Groups totaling 3.05 billion people. 40% of all individuals

60% of unreached people groups live in countries closed to missionaries from North America.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

There are almost 1 million international students in the U.S each year.

62% of internationals are from 10/40 Window countries. Total Number of Students from 10/40 Window Countries studying in US: 451,568 from 68 Countries

WHY REACH OUT TO INTERNATIONALS?

80% of those students will return to their countries having never been invited to an American home.

40% of the world's 220 Heads of State once studied in the US.

Only 10% of international students are reached by ministries while in the United States.

Romans 5:9 (NKJV)

[9] Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 (NKJV)

[9] For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

What would we do if the last few years Leading up to the Tribulation / and the first years of the Tribulation were to begin right now?

And if it's prolonged a bit before it begins, how do we help our children / grandchildren to prepare?

Revelation 13:1-18 (NIV)

[1] And the dragon [*Satan*] stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast [*Anti Christ*] coming out of the sea. He had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on his horns, and on each head a blasphemous name.

[2] The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon [*Satan*] gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. [3] One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was astonished and followed the beast

[4] Men worshiped the dragon [*Satan*] because he had given authority to the beast, [*Anti Christ*] and they also worshiped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?" [5] The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise his authority for forty-two months. [*So this is mid-tribulation*]

[6] He [*Anti Christ*] opened his mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. [7] He was given power to make war against the saints and to conquer them. And he was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.

[8] All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast [Anti Christ] —all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world. [9] He who has an ear, let him hear.

[10] If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity he will go. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword he will be killed. This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of the saints.

Revelation 13:11 (NIV)
**[11] Then I saw another beast, [*False Prophet*]
coming out of the earth. He had two horns like a
lamb, but he spoke like a dragon.**

**[12] He [*False Prophet*] exercised all the authority of
the first beast [*Anti Christ*] on his behalf, and made
the earth and its inhabitants worship the first
beast, whose fatal wound had been healed. [13] And
he performed great and miraculous signs, even
causing fire to come down from heaven to earth in
full view of men.**

[14] Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived.

[15] He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed. [16] He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead,

(G4352) - "Worship)

"from 4314 and a probable derivative of 2965 (meaning to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand); to fawn or crouch to, i.e. (literally or figuratively) prostrate oneself in homage (do reverence to, adore):--worship."

[17] so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.

[18] This calls for wisdom. If anyone has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's number. His number is 666.

Revelation 14:9-12 (NIV)

[9] A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast [*Anti Christ*] and his image and receives his mark on the forehead or on the hand, [10] he, too, will drink of the wine of God's fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath. He will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb.

[11] And the smoke of their torment rises for ever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast and his image, or for anyone who receives the mark of his name." [12] This calls for patient endurance on the part of the saints who obey God's commandments and remain faithful to Jesus.

What would that look like?

- 1. No job.**
- 2. No income.**
 - Cash will be worthless**
 - Can't access the banking system in any way**

3. No purchasing ability.

- Food**
- Utilities**
- Vehicle Gas**
- Continued Cell Phone use**

4. No selling ability.

- House**
- Vehicles**
- Any goods.**

5. Can't pay your property taxes, so even if house is paid off...



6. No Medical care available.



7. No School available.

8. Long-term: No Transportation.

9. Etc. - Etc.

If it doesn't happen to us, it will happen to our lineage.

A. What are we doing to prepare them to make the right decision when the time comes?

B. What are we doing to make sure we'd make the right decision when the time comes?

#1 - Never Deny Christ.

Matthew 10:32-33 (NIV)

[32] "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven.

[33] But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven.

**#2 - Never Give Worship to anyone or anything
but Jesus (The Christian God-Head).**

#3 - Never follow Blindly.

- a. Teach them to think for themselves.**
- b. Teach them to follow the Spirit.**
- c. Teach them Discernment / how to look
below the surface.**

#4 - They must be taught to be Fearless.

**#5 - Teach them about physical death and
the afterlife.**

a. Matthew 10:28

**#6 - Instruct about Heaven and Hell /
Lake of Fire.**

a. Instill a hunger / longing for Heaven.

**#7 - Get them ready - to be willing to lose
everything for the sake of Christ / their
salvation.**

#8 - Get them ready to be a Martyr if necessary.

a. Rev. 13:15.

b. Including knowing how to separate from their closest friends & relatives and if they were dead.

Revelation 13:15 (AMP)

[15] And he is permitted [also] to impart the breath of life into the beast's image, so that the statue of the beast could actually talk and cause to be put to death those who would not bow down and worship the image of the beast. [Da 3:5.]

Mark 13:9-13 (NIV)

[9] "You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. [10] And the gospel must first be preached to all nations.

[11] Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

[12] “Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child. Children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. [13] All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved.

Luke 21:12-13 (NKJV)

[12] “But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. [13] “But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.

Luke 21:16-19 (NKJV)

[16] "You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. [17] "And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. [18] "But not a hair of your head shall be lost. [19] "By your patience possess your souls.