God’s Heart for Nations / Peoples

OBJECTIVE:
To show that God’s plan has always been worldwide from beginning to end (Genesis to Revelation), and challenge him/her to consider his/her role in that plan. This 1-1 Plan may be broken up into multiple sittings if necessary.

Pursue Relationship: (Continue to know, connect, and build trust with the individual.)

Personal Processing: (What God is teaching him/her, doing in his/her life, and questions he/she has.)
- What comes to mind when you think of the phrase, “Great Commission?”
- Have you ever traveled outside the US before? OR Have you interacted with a different culture before?
  - What was that like? What did you experience? Did you enjoy or not enjoy?
- Have you ever considered what God thinks about different cultures? What do you think he thinks and/or feels towards ________ (name a people group)? Is it different than how he thinks about your/our people group?

Practical Truths: (Opportunity to provide content.)
Introduce the concept/theme:
- Do you think God has a mission/purpose He wants to accomplish in the world? Why/why not?
- If so, how can we know that He has a mission? How can we know what that mission is?
- What do you think that mission might be?

HEAD What they need to know
Scripture: Look at each passage, answering the question, “What is God’s mission?”
1- Genesis 1:27-28
2- Genesis 12:1-3
3- Exodus 19:4-6
4- Deuteronomy 4:5-8
5- Isaiah 2:2-3; 49:6; 56:8
6- Habakkuk 2:14
7- Psalm 67
8- Matthew 28:18-20
9- Acts 1:8
10- John 10:14-16
11- Revelation 5:9; 7:9

HEART Share your personal experience of this truth
- How has God impressed the His Great Commission vision on your heart? The Nations? Cross-cultural ministry? Share your story

HANDS How do I do this? Tools, skills, etc.
- What are ways we can practically be involved in God’s global mission?
  - Pray, Give/Send, Go, Welcome

Debrief by answering:
- Something I learned or reminded of:
- Something I can share with another:
- I will share this with:
- Something I can do this week in obedience to this truth:

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Other Resources for further exploration
- Mission Videos... historymakers.info, dispatchesfromthefront.org
- Learn: JoshuaProject.net
- Pray over the world – Operation World, World Prayer Maps
- Missionary Biographies – desiringgod.org
- Engage with International Students
- Eat international food – then pray for that country
- Talk/Pray over current events
- Highlight every Bible reference to the nations you can find
- Memorize Scripture on God’s Heart for the Nations
- Perspectives Course
- Search “World Vision” messages on discipleshiplibrary.com