

"HERE AM I. SEND ME???"

**DELIBERATING A
WORLD MISSIONS CALL**

Here am I. Send me???

1. About me
2. What makes a “good” missionary?
3. The deliberation process
4. Personal benefits and challenges









“Whom shall
I send?

And who
will go for
us?”

**WHAT MAKES A
"GOOD" MISSIONARY?**

So therefore
and make
disciples
of all the
nations



PUBLIC MINISTRY QUALIFICATIONS

1 TIMOTHY 3:1-7; TITUS 1:6-9

- Above reproach
- Temperate
- Self-controlled
- Respectable
- Hospitable
- Able to teach
- Not given to drunkenness
- Not violent but gentle
- Not quarrelsome
- Not a lover of money
- Must manage his own family well
- Not a recent convert
- Have a good reputation with outsiders
- Not overbearing
- Upright, holy, disciplined
- Must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.

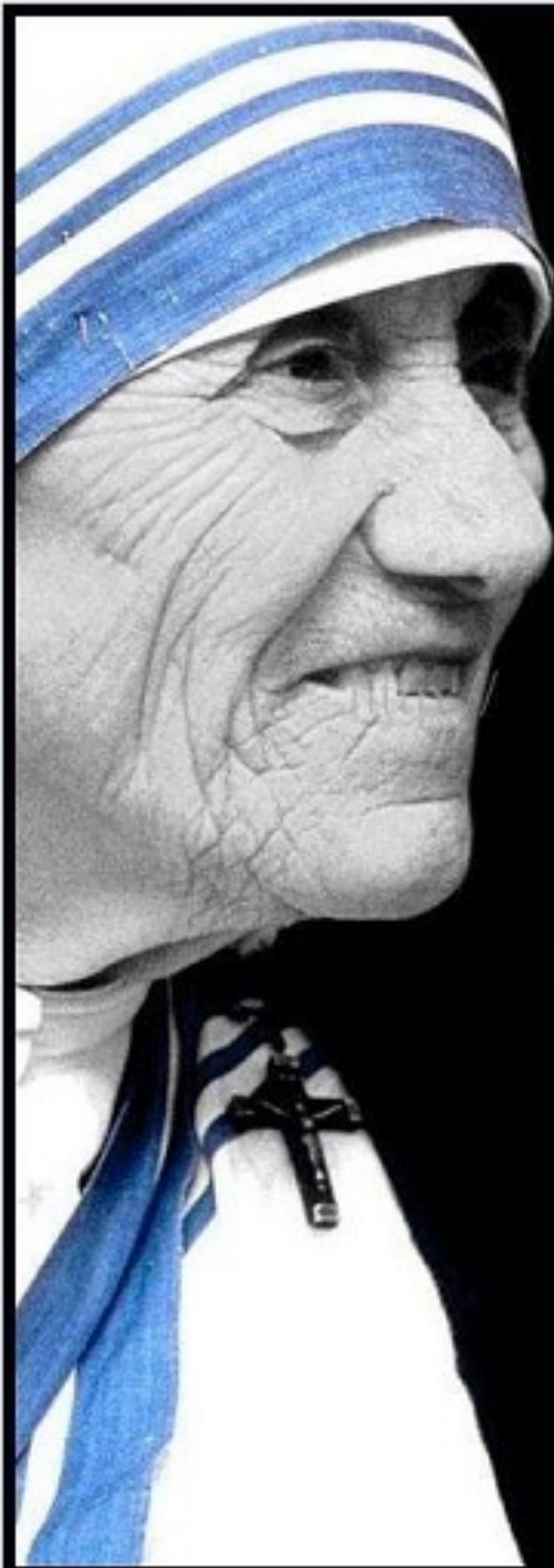
MARQUARDT'S MUSTS FOR MISSIONARIES

More from the Mrs.:

- mission mindset
- strong faith / well-grounded in Scripture
- flexibility
- humility / sense of humor
- self-discipline
- good communication skills
- appreciation for the "different"
- being content in every situation
- no major health issues

“The candidates shall be evaluated as to their physical and psychological fitness to serve in a world mission field. Special attention shall be given to their adaptability and that of their wives and families for conditions in the field where they are to serve; to their soundness in Lutheran doctrine and practice; to their compatibility in serving with and under others, especially in an isolated situation; to their pastoral experience; and to their zeal for winning souls.”

WELS World Missions Handbook 1.5.4



“GOD
has not called
me to be
SUCCESSFUL.
He called
me to be
FAITHFUL.”

I have a
call to
serve as a
world
missionary.
Now what?



Here am I. Send me???

1. Remember it is a divine call. PRAY!
2. Evaluate the needs of the mission.
3. Evaluate your own strengths and weakness.
4. Ask for counsel.
5. Consider all your obligations.



NOT GOOD (ENOUGH) REASONS FOR ACCEPTING A WORLD MISSIONS CALL

- You've always wanted to travel / see the world.
- You're good with languages.
- You're hoping to find yourself.
- You're not sure if you want to be a stateside pastor/teacher.



"WE HAVE LEFT EVERYTHING TO FOLLOW YOU! WHAT THEN WILL THERE BE FOR US?"

"Sacrifices"

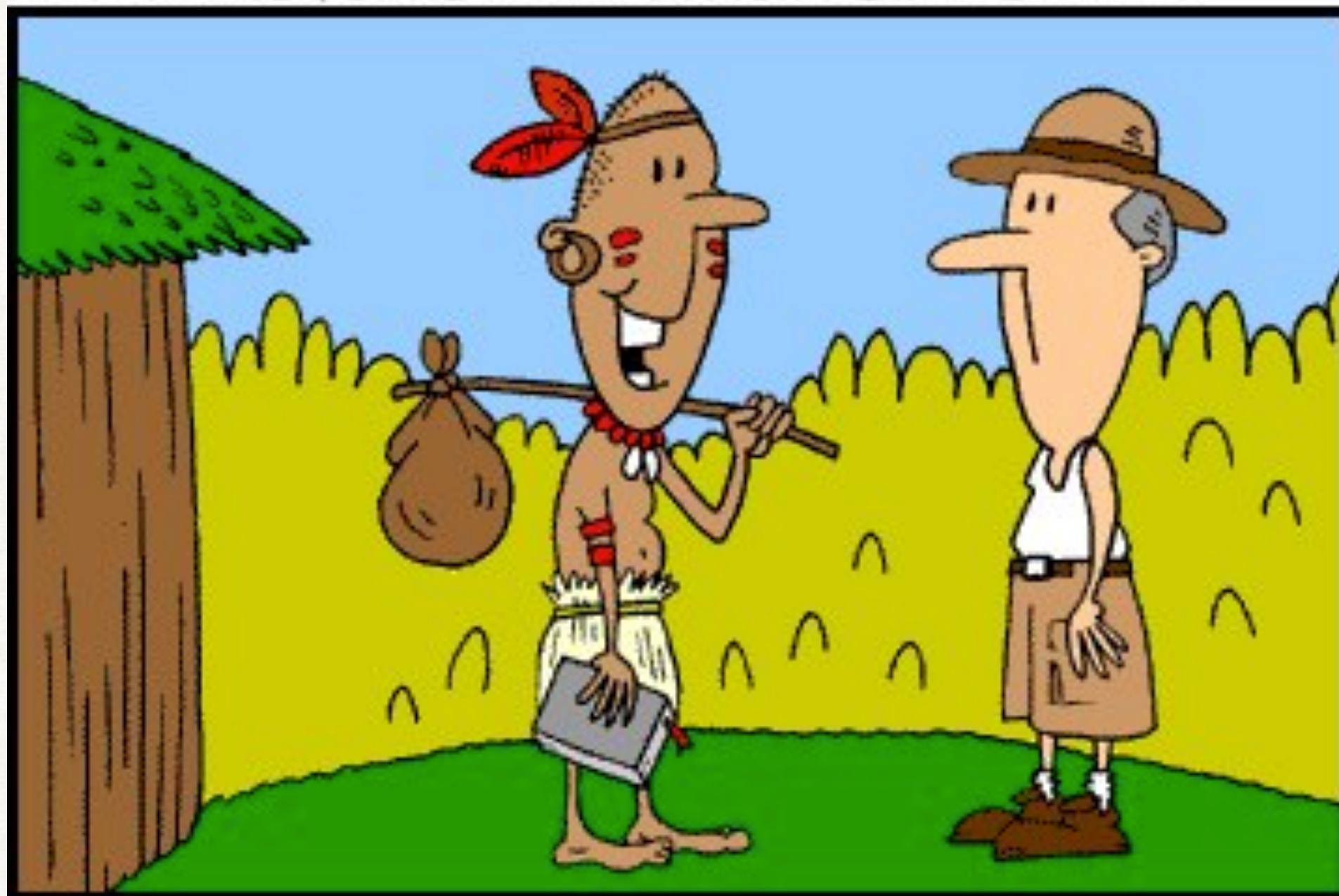
- closeness to family
- creature comforts
- traditions
- fellowship blessings
- becoming "homeless"
- becoming "weird" for the rest of your life

Blessings!

- family closeness
- spiritual growth
- new traditions
- extended fellowship
- citizens of heaven
- new way of seeing things/people


"I am not
wanted here.
But I am
needed."





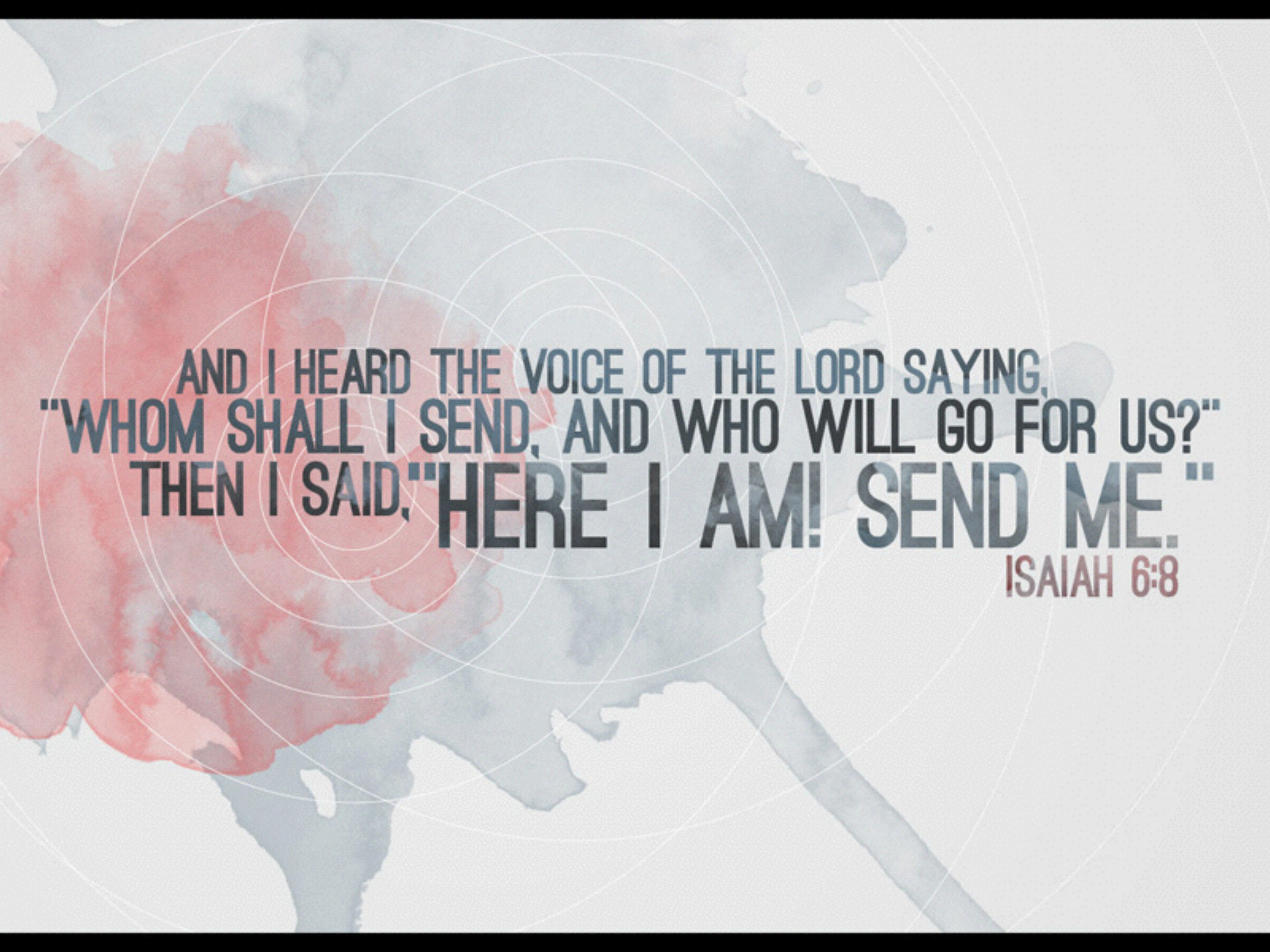
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THANKS FOR TRAVELLING THOUSANDS OF MILES
TO TEACH ME YOUR CHRISTIAN WAYS ... I'M
OFF NOW AS A MISSIONARY TO AMERICA, I
HEAR THERE IS A REAL NEED THERE

A person with dark hair, wearing a black t-shirt and blue jeans, is seen from behind, sitting on a rocky outcrop. They are looking out over a vast, hazy mountain range under a clear blue sky. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The overall tone is contemplative and majestic.

**HERE AM I.
SEND ME!**

ISAIAH 6:8



AND I HEARD THE VOICE OF THE LORD SAYING,
"WHOM SHALL I SEND, AND WHO WILL GO FOR US?"
THEN I SAID, "HERE I AM! SEND ME."

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