

“Stop Playing it Safe”

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“What if the very reason we have breath is because we have been saved for a global mission? And what if anything less than passionate involvement in global mission is actually selling God short by frustrating the very purpose for which he created us?”

David Platt, *Radical*, Multnomah Books,
Colorado Springs, CO, 2010, p. 75.

Three reasons we should share the gospel:

1. **All humanity will be held accountable for their sin.**
(Romans 3:9-20)

“All too often we view heaven as the default eternal state for humankind. We assume that our race simply deserves heaven, that God owes heaven to us unless we do something really bad to warrant otherwise. But as we have seen in Romans, this theology is just not true. All people are guilty before God, and as such the default is not heaven but hell.”

David Platt, *Radical*, Multnomah Books,
Colorado Springs, CO, 2010, p. 147.

2. **The gospel reflects the heart and love of God for all humanity.**
(John 3:16; Romans 10:13; 1 John 2:2; Hebrews 2:9; 2 Peter 3:9; 2 Peter 2:1; Matthew 9:36; Revelation 7:9-10)

3. **It's what we are commanded to do and be.**
(Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 10:14-15; Matthew 5:14; 2 Corinthians 5:19-20)

“First, according to Jesus, disciple making involves going. It involves intentionally taking the gospel to people where they live, work, and play. Disciple making is not a call for others to come to us to hear the gospel but a command for us to go to others to share the gospel. A command for us to be gospel-living, gospel-speaking people at every moment and in every context where we find ourselves.”

David Platt, *Radical*, Multnomah Books,
Colorado Springs, CO, 2010, p. 93-94.