

DISCIPLE MAKING

A PODCAST WITH DR. JOHN TOLSON

Episode 3 - The Greatest Threat

Someone said this: “The greatest threat is not materialism. It’s not atheism. The greatest threat to Christianity are *Christians*- trying to sneak into heaven incognito without ever sharing their faith and without ever becoming involved in the most significant work on the earth: making disciples of Jesus Christ.”

We live in a country with a population of almost 320 million people. If we are convinced that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life, and that no one comes to the Father except through Him, how do we get that message to people so that they at least have a chance at coming to know Jesus Christ?

Listen to this: The internet will be available to every person on the planet within the next ten years. Facebook is spending billions of dollars to get internet to every person on the planet. From 1925 to 1955 Robert Woodruff served as president of Coca-Cola. During that time, he wanted Coca-Cola to be available to every American serviceman around the world for five cents, no matter what the cost to the company. That’s a pretty amazing goal, but it was nothing compared to the bigger picture he saw in his mind’s eye. In his lifetime, he wanted every person in the world to have tasted Coca-Cola.

Do you have a dream or a vision like that? Sometimes I think we dream so small. To me, the most boring people in the world are realistic people, people who don’t think outside the box. Friends, you cannot out-pray God.

So as I have mentioned, you are no more prepared for heaven than the moment Jesus Christ came into your life. He forgave you, he justified you, made it as if you’d never sinned. Why didn’t he just beam you up into heaven right then? Because he has a job for you while you’re on this planet. The Scripture says in Matthew 4:19 “Jesus called out to them ‘Come, follow me and I will show you how to fish for people.’” Then in 2 Corinthians 5:20 “We are Christ’s ambassadors.” We are his representatives. God has a plan to change this country by changing people as they encounter the person of Jesus Christ. Are you ready and willing to learn how to be a part of carrying out that plan?

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