

## 2009-2010 WORLD MISSIONS SERMON OUTLINE

### GIVE THE WINDS A MIGHTY VOICE ...

#### Through intercessory prayer

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#### TEXTS

Isaiah 59:16, Ezekiel 22:30,31

#### INTRODUCTION

The wickedness of our world burdens our hearts. Sin is rampant. It's easy to grab a sign and picket, but we must look past the sin and see the sinner. We must hear his cry of agony, *We look for light, but all is darkness ... we grope along the wall, feeling our way like men without eyes (Isaiah 59: 9,10)*. What is our response to this cry?

- I. God is amazed that there are no intercessors (Isaiah 59:16).
  - A. Destruction comes when no one stands in the gap (Ezekiel 22:30,31).
  - B. Jesus became the ultimate intercessor (Isaiah 53:12, 59:16).
  - C. If we share His nature through salvation, we will share His burden for the lost (2 Corinthians 5:18).
- II. An intercessor has at least six characteristics.
  - A. He throws his life into the gap (Ezekiel 22:30).
  - B. He knows well both parties with which he must deal (Exodus 33:12).
  - C. He identifies with the ones for whom he intercedes.
    1. Moses — Exodus 32:32
    2. Daniel — Daniel 9:5
    3. Nehemiah — Nehemiah 1:7
    4. Jesus — Isaiah 53:12
  - D. An intercessor sees it through (Luke 18:1-5).
  - E. An intercessor knows the Word of God (Nehemiah 1:8,9).
  - F. An intercessor knows the character of God (Daniel 9:4,7,9,14,15).

- III. An intercessor can change the world through prayer.
  - A. Prayer is more powerful than politics, money and good connections.
  - B. Prayer gives power to the voice of the missionary.
  - C. Revival comes when we intercede.

CONCLUSION

God is amazed when there are no intercessors. Will you let Him use you?

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