

Sending Missionaries is Local Church Work

The Book of Acts (Selected Scriptures)

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Thesis: The local church is God's plan to send the gospel to all nations.

Definition of a Local Church: A local church is a group of Christians who regularly gather in Christ's name to officially affirm and oversee one another's membership in Jesus Christ and his kingdom through gospel preaching and gospel ordinances.

1. The authority of Christ is on display as the local church is born.

- a. The authority of Christ over persecution (Acts 8:1-3)

- b. The authority of Christ over persecutors (Acts. 9:13-16)

- c. The authority of Christ to grow His church (Acts 11:19-21)

2. How does the local church accomplish God's plan to send the gospel to all nations?

- a. The local church trains missionaries (Acts 11: 25-26)

- b. The local church sends missionaries (Acts 13:1-3)

- c. The local church partners with missionaries (Acts 14:26-28)