

On the King's Mission, Not a Missionary

As sons, we must be about Father's business. That means we must be on the King's business all the time, not the church's business. These are not the same thing. The church wants to bring more people into their organisations, but Father wants the world transformed. The church wants God to bring revival to it, but Father wants to revive and restore the Earth. These are diametrically opposed because one is inward-focussed and the other is outward-focussed. One aligns with religion and the other aligns with Heaven.

For us to fully engage with this proper paradigm, we must realise that we are in a different day to the missionary age of the past.

“The day of the churched culture is over...The day has gone when the church was generally valued by the society as important to the social and moral order and when for that reason, people tended to seek out a church for themselves. We sail today in a different kind of sea...We are caught between a Constantinian Christendom that has ended and to which we cannot return and the culture's relegation of the church to the private realm.”¹

Christians can no longer consider Australia as a Christian nation, despite it's perceived heritage. Hanging on to this concept causes them to look to the past instead of looking to the present – at what Father is doing now, not what he did do or may have done.

The key to living in the Kingdom now is to focus on what Heaven wants us to be doing. This requires each and every one of us to hear clearly from the Spirit on a daily basis. We can't keep reading encouraging books about others who stepped out in faith, followed the Spirit's leading and were part of phenomenal events. This is meant to be us too.

Every day is an adventure if we partner with the King and desire to be doing his business, not our own or any one else's. That's our mission.

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1 – George Hunsberger (1996) “The Church between Gospel and Culture”, ed. Craig Van Gelder and George Hunsberger (Grand Rapids MI: Baker Books) p:17 [quoting Kennon Callahan in ‘Effective Church Leadership’]