



**A THIRD
OF US**

HELP GIVE
everyone
**A CHANCE TO
KNOW JESUS.**

GREAT COMMISSION

ACTION GUIDE

THE NUMBERS ARE STAGGERING

*and they break
your heart.*

A third of the world is still denied access to the gospel.

That means more than 2 billion people have never heard the name of Jesus. They haven't even had the chance to accept or reject the love of Jesus and his work for them on the cross. They don't know anything about it!

But, more sobering is the fact that they are on their way to eternity separated from God. Sadly, 70,000 people face that reality every day — most of them without Christ.

Who are these people and where are they?

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

JESUS

Matthew 28:18–20

DO YOU KNOW

The Unreached?

They live in some of the hardest to reach places, isolated from any Christian influence. In these gospel-resistant parts of the world, it's dangerous to tell people about Jesus.

Some live in countries you've certainly heard of, but may not be able to find on a map if you had to. Others live in well-known places.

495,000 villages in India have no Christian presence.

90% of unreached people live in places resistant to the gospel.

According to the Joshua Project there are more than **7,000 people groups** that are considered unreached. Over **4,000** of these unreached people groups are **less than 0.1% Christian**.

There are likely many hundreds of people groups worldwide where there is no Christian presence and no one yet attempting to reach them.

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."

JESUS

Matthew 24:14

In response to Jesus' command in the Bible to take the gospel to every nation—known as “The Great Commission”—you can make a difference in the eternal destiny of souls who are today without access to His love.

Make your life count for those who have never heard. Engage in one or more of the four Action Steps below. This Great Commission Action Guide will show you how.

The following pages outline next steps you can take to obey Jesus' Great Commission.



**SHARE
PRAY
SERVE
SUPPORT**



SHARE



A third of the world is still denied access to the gospel. Do you want to help give everyone a chance to know Jesus?

You can take **Step 1** right now.

Step 1



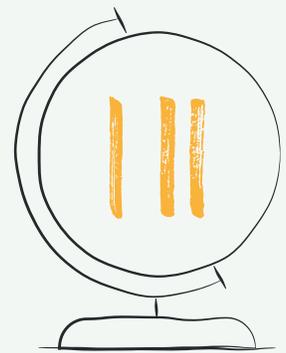
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Step 2



Look for opportunities to **TALK** about it.

Step 3



Go deeper.
VISIT ATHIRDOFUS.COM

MAKE IT SOCIAL

Share a photo of the 3 lines symbol on social media using the hashtag **#athirdofus**.

"...and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation but as it is written, 'those who have never been told of him will see, and those who have never heard will understand.'"

PAUL
Romans 15:20–21

PRAY

The concept of praying for those without access to Jesus can seem vague. How can you wrap your arms around this idea? And how can you relate with these people and identify with their plight?

We've personalized this for you by painting the picture of several unreached people groups around the world. These represent men, women and children who are isolated from the gospel. We encourage you to pray for one each day, for the next thirty days. Watch God soften your heart as you bring these people before his throne of grace.

To get you started, below are three people groups you can pray for right now. Take two or three minutes and ask God to...

1

Soften hearts to the truth of the gospel and the love of our Savior.

2

Provide Christians to reach these people groups.

3

Plant churches among these people groups.

THE HAZARA PEOPLE OF CENTRAL AFGHANISTAN

There are more than 2.8 million of these people living in the central region of troubled Afghanistan. The number of believers among these people is as few as 850.

THE KAZAKH PEOPLE OF CENTRAL ASIA

There are more than 14 million Kazakh people residing in Central Asia, but less than 1,500 known believers.

THE ALAWITE PEOPLE OF SYRIA

The Alawite people of Syria survive from day to day in one of the most horrific war-torn places in the world. With a Muslim population of 99.79%, virtually none of them have ever heard the truth about Jesus.

NOW KEEP GOING!

Joshua Project shares a new people group each day. Sign up at JoshuaProject.net

SERVE

"How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?"

PAUL

Romans 10:14



Are you feeling the tug of God to serve in the cause of the unreached? Our coalition members have opportunities for you to serve in a variety of ways, short-term and long-term.

Explore these opportunities. See what's available and ask God how He would have you respond.

We encourage you to see what your church has to offer, as well. Are there short-term missions trips planned? Check into it. Get a flavor for missions and taking the gospel to those who haven't heard.

You can be an ambassador for Jesus to those who have no one to show them Jesus' love. You can be used to change them — but you will be forever changed yourself!

SUPPORT

The Lord may be moving on your heart to share your resources to take the gospel to those who have never heard.

First of all, we encourage you to inquire in your church if there are missionaries who are investing their lives in this cause. If so, adopt one of them and support them in their work.

Second, if you'd like to give financially to one of our coalition members, we welcome that. Each member has a distinct area of ministry, but all are focused on the unreached.

We encourage you to check out our members and see what resonates with your heart. We would be honored to have you join in financial partnership with any of them.

If you'd like to share the Great Commission Action Guide with your friends, please do! Send them to our website and they can download it, or include the Action Guide in an email. Let us together raise awareness on behalf of those without access to the truth about Jesus!



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"Since you excel in so many ways in your faith, your gifted speakers, your knowledge, your enthusiasm, and your love from us, I want you to excel also in this gracious act of giving."

PAUL
2 Corinthians 8:7