

## MESSAGE NOTES

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### “BRING SALVATION TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH!”

What is your reaction when faced with a huge task to accomplish?

Do you at times feel like evangelism is an overwhelming task?

#### READ: Isaiah 49:1-6

- 1 Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations:  
Before I was born the LORD called me;  
from my birth he has made mention of my name.
- 2 He made my mouth like a sharpened sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver.
- 3 He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor."
- 4 But I said, "I have labored to no purpose;  
I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing.  
Yet what is due me is in the LORD's hand, and my reward is with my God."
- 5 And now the LORD says— he who formed me in the womb to be his servant  
to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself,  
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength-
- 6 he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant  
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept.  
I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,  
that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth."

#### 1. Salvation \_\_\_\_\_.

What aspects of Christ's task were determined prior to his birth?

What tools did Jesus use to accomplish his task?

What was the result of the completed task?

#### 2. Salvation \_\_\_\_\_!

Why can't we say proclaiming salvation or evangelism is someone else's job?

What excuses does Satan get us to buy into that lead us to remain silent in speaking of our Savior?

What tool has God given us that is "a double edged sword."

- Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any **double-edged** sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

How are we to use it?

What makes it seem like our efforts are in vain?

I know the message of Jesus will matter to...

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**Bring Salvation to the ends of the earth...  
one soul at a time!**