

## **WORLD MISSIONS TODAY**

### Course Description:

Some people regard missions as the imposition of Western culture and the extension of North American denominationalism. Others view missions as a religious cover for the spread of political influence or as a massive welfare program for developing nations. Still another group equates missions with "civilizing" primitive peoples, a carry-over from a colonial concept which assumed Western ways were best for everyone. Such impressions of missions are inaccurate and un-biblical. From a biblical perspective, mission work does not originate in human relationships. Instead, mission work begins with the divine initiative. God so loves the people He created that even in their rebellion, He seeks to redeem and restore the lost. Not only does God seek the unsaved, but He also directs believing men and women to be involved in communicating the Gospel. While the task, methods, and means of today's missionary have changed, the underlying purpose remains the same. Discover what the local church can and should do to take an active role in God's task of global ministry. Let this discovery process ignite your heart and cause you to ask how you can become involved.