



## **Cultivating a Missions Mindset**

### **Characteristics of a missions mindset\_Part 3**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**CHARACTERISTIC 1:** We see sinners as people to be loved and befriended, not as enemies to be disdained and avoided.

1. We embrace a biblical view of God's love and sovereignty over sinners.
2. We demonstrate the compassion and intentionality of Christ.
3. We embody qualities to befriend unbelievers.
4. We repent of spiritual arrogance.
  - A. We have an unforgiving attitude.
  - B. We become angry with their sinfulness.
  - C. We are impatient they don't see things the way we do.
  - D. We speak condescendingly or jokingly about them & their lifestyles.
  - E. We see their salvation as an impossibility.
  - F. We see life as us (Christians) versus them (non-Christians).
  - G. We believe we are better than them.
  - H. We engage them without a desire to persuade.

**CHARACTERISTIC 2:** We make room in our lives to have friendships with unbelievers.

1. We believe evangelism should be facilitated by people not programs.
2. We recognize the benefit of relationships as a vehicle for sharing the gospel.
3. We understand God often saves through processes not moments.
4. We identify unbelievers within our sphere of influence.
5. We schedule time to open our lives and homes.
6. We recognize the role of Christian community in gospel proclamation.