

Lottie Moon Quotes

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We have a responsibility to send workers to China and follow in Jesus' footsteps by giving and sacrificing for the sake of the gospel.

Scripture: Matthew 9:37, Matthew 16:24, Mark 16:15, 2 Corinthians 8:9, Philippians 2:5

Topics: "Missions Work", "Sacrificial Giving"

Description

Lottie Moon passionately challenges the Southern Baptist church to step up in missions work, emphasizing the urgency of the harvest and the scarcity of laborers. She questions the lack of commitment and contributions towards spreading the gospel, urging believers to sacrificially give and follow in the footsteps of Jesus who became poor for our sake. Moon highlights the need for more workers in China and the responsibility of Christians to bring back the lost world to God, emphasizing the command to 'Go' and the importance of self-denial and courage in missionary life.

Transcript

"Why should we not ... do something that will prove that we are really in earnest in claiming to be followers of him who, though he was rich, for our sake became poor?"

What we need in China is more workers. The harvest is very great, the laborers, oh! so few. Why does the Southern Baptist church lag behind in this great work? - November 1, 1873, Tungchow

How many there are ... who imagine that because Jesus paid it all, they need pay nothing, forgetting that the prime object of their salvation was that they should follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ in bringing back a lost world to God. - September 15, 1887, Tungchow

Why should we not ... instead of the paltry offerings we make, do something that will prove that we are really in earnest in claiming to be followers of him who, though he was rich, for our sake became poor? - September 15, 1887, Tungchow

Is not the festive season when families and friends exchange gifts in memory of The Gift laid on the altar of the world for the redemption of the human race, the most appropriate time to consecrate a portion from abounding riches and scant poverty to send forth the good tidings of great joy into all the earth? - September 15, 1887, Tungchow

Why this strange indifference to missions? Why these scant contributions? Why does money fail to be forthcoming when approved men and women are asking to be sent to proclaim the 'unsearchable riches of Christ' to the heathen? - October 3, 1887, Pingtu

A young man should ask himself not if it is his duty to go to the heathen, but if he may dare stay at home. The command is so plain: 'Go.' - November 1, 1873, Tungchow

Oh! That my words could be as a trumpet call, stirring the hearts of my brethren and sisters to pray, to labor, to give themselves to this people. ... We are now, a very, very few feeble workers, scattering the grain broadcast according as time and strength permit. God will give the harvest; doubt it not. But the laborers are so few. Where we have four, we should have not less than one hundred. Are these wild words? They would not seem so were the church of God awake to her high privilege and her weighty responsibilities. - November 11, 1878, Pingtu

The needs of these people press upon my soul, and I cannot be silent. It is grievous to think of these human souls going down to death without even one opportunity of hearing the name of Jesus. ... Once more I urge upon the consciences of my Christian brethren and sisters the claims of these people among whom I dwell. Here I am working alone in a city of many thousand inhabitants, with numberless villages clustered around or stretching away in the illimitable distance: how many can I reach? - October 3, 1887, Pingtu

I would I had a thousand lives that I might give them to ... China! - August 27, 1888, Zhenjiang

Please say to the new missionaries that they are coming to a life of hardship, responsibility and constant self denial. They must live, the greater part of the time, in Chinese houses, in close contact with the people. They will be alone in the interior and will need to be strong and courageous. If the joy of the Lord be their strength, the blessedness of the work will more than compensate for its hardships. Let them come 'rejoicing to suffer' for the sake of that Lord and Master who freely gave his life for them. - January 9, 1889, P'ingtu, China

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