"IT'S ALL ABOUT THE GOSPEL"

I CORINTHIANS 15:3-4

The mission field of North America includes the United States, Canada and the US territories of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and American Samoa.

- 363 million people
- 350 languages
- 14+ religions
- 273 million who do not have a relationship with Christ Statistics from U.S. census and NAMB Center for Missional Research

I. CHRIST <u>DIED</u> FOR OUR <u>SINS</u> - (V.3)

- A. Christ became flesh John 1:14; Phil 2:6-7
- B. Christ was sinless II Cor. 5:21; Heb. 4:15
- C. Christ died for us Rom. 5:8

II. CHRIST WAS BURIED - (V.4A)

- A. Witnesses to his <u>death</u>
 - i. Roman soldiers John 19:32-33
 - ii. Joseph of Arimathea John 19:38
- B. Witnesses of his burial
 - i. Joseph of Arimathea John 19:40
 - ii. Nicodemus John 19:42
 - iv. The women Luke 23:55

III. CHRIST ROSE FROM THE <u>DEAD</u> - (V.4B)

A. His resurrection was prophesied

"According to scripture"

(Psalm 16:9-11; Isaiah 25:8; Hosea 6:2)

B. His resurrection was <u>predicted</u> "By Christ himself"

Matthew (7) Mark (5)

Luke (4) John (1)

C. His resurrection was <u>perceived</u> - vv. 5-8

i. Peter – v.5

ii. The twelve – v.5

iii. By 500 - v.6

iv. James – v.7

v. Paul – v.8

vi. Mary Magdalene – John 20:11-18

vii. Other women – Mt. 28:8-10

viii. Two on the road to Emmaus -

Luke 24:13-32

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jews first, and also to the Greek." Romans 1:16