# The Task at Hand

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#### **WARM UP**

Looking back over the first four months of 2017, what is something new that you have experienced or learned?

## **COMING UP**

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**Go! Challenge** If you haven't started the challenge, it's not too late! Pick up a *Go! Challenge* instruction card at the Worship Center and begin today.

**Reaching Beyond** Visit Renovation.GracePolaris.org/News on Monday to hear the latest on our Worship Center transformation!

**Northland Prayer Walk** Saturday, May 13, 10:00 a.m., Youth Center. Visit GracePolaris.org/PrayerWalk to RSVP.

#### WITNESS

- On your white board, list the names of people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus.
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

# **EXPLORE**

- 1 What did you learn about the status of the nations in our world from Sunday's sermon?
- 2 Ethnic identity is one of the strongest identity markers for individuals the world over. Why is that? Does the Bible affirm ethnic identity or seek to minimize it? Explain your answer.
- 3 Why are people in certain ethnic groups and regions so difficult to reach with the Gospel? Name several overtly spiritual reasons and several cultural/social reasons.
- 4 What makes cultural awareness so important in any attempt to proclaim the Gospel among an ethnic group or region? Is our goal to inform or persuade? What are some of the keys to good engagement with those from different ethnic groups or regions?
- 5 What makes living in this era so advantageous for cross-cultural Gospel witness? Why might it be more difficult for Americans to lead cross-cultural efforts with the Gospel compared to years or decades ago?
- 6 How might a life mission-centered on the Gospel to the nations—as opposed to a nominal Christian commitment—change how we pray, live, vote, give, serve, and so on? List four or five practical evidences of someone for whom that is true.
- 7 DIG DEEPER Read 1 Corinthians 9. What was Paul's goal, and what tactics did he employ?

## **PRAY**

Pray that you would be more engaged in Jesus' mission in tangible, practical ways.

