

Isaiah 6:8

*Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying:
"Whom shall I send,
And who will go for Us?"
Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."*

We all have heard and love this verse; we even pray part of it by saying: "**Here am I! Send me.**" So, would you really go anywhere for the Lord? If you could go be a missionary somewhere, where would it be? Africa, Ethiopia, China, Singapore, Australia, Hawaii?

Yea, so many places we pray and ask the Lord to send us too. But what if the Lord said, "Ok, I'm going to send you to your job, that's where I want to send you to be a witness for me."

"Yea I suppose" you may be thinking, "*If that's where He really wants me. But the people there are so bad, they party and cuss and drink all the time and are lazy workers and they make fun of me.*"

What, you think if you go to another country that they will accept you and be nice to you and that they don't party and drink and curse and, whatever?
Do you really realize how worse off you would be if the Lord sent you somewhere else to share the gospel? I mean, most people that are sent out realize that when they go, they may not come back, because their lives are at stake and they can be killed or tortured or maimed.
They know that they, and the message of the gospel, will be rejected by most people that they come in contact with.

But you think you can handle that and are willing to do it for the gospel sake?
Then do it where the Lord has called you to do it, and that's right there where you work and live. Sure, they will make fun of you and most will reject the gospel message. But if God has called you to be a witness at your workplace, or your neighbors, or even in your own home, then be obedient with that calling. Once you are, then maybe He will send you to a third world country. Or you may find that you enjoy being a missionary in your own home town, and He won't need to send someone else other than to your home town.

† **Acts 16:40 (NLT)** *Paul and Silas then returned to the home of Lydia, where they met with the believers and encouraged them once more before leaving town.*