

Scripture: Romans 15:14-33

OPEN:

1. What "hot spot" in the world would you gladly accept a round-trip ticket for two? To what "hot spot" would you refuse to go, even if all expenses were paid?

DIG:

1. From your reading of Romans, what are some of the major points Paul has stressed?
2. How does Paul define his ministry (v 15-16)? What motivates and inspires him (vv 17-19)? Illyricum (v 19) was present day Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Slovenia; about 1300 miles from Jerusalem? What does that tell you about Paul?
3. Why was a collection taken in Macedonia and Achaia (vv 25-27)? What principles about giving can be learned from this example?
4. What were two prayer requests does Paul make (vv 30-32)? Why does he mention these requests to the Christians in Rome?
5. How would you describe Paul's ministry based on this passage (vv 14-33)?

REFLECT:

1. What is your chief ambition in life? What are some of your minor ones. Why do you think you have these ambitions?
2. How do you know when you're fulfilling your destiny?
3. When you hear the word "missionary", what are your first thoughts?