

Compelled: Ordinary People, Extraordinary God July 30, 2025
Chapter 2: Among Cannibals and Headhunters

KJV Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

Getting Started

1. What stirs your heart the most when it comes to foreign missions? What have you done personally to further the reach of the gospel?

Chapter Content

2. Where did Don and Carol meet? What burden did they share? (27-28)
3. What provoked their interest in New Guinea? How long did it take them to get to the field after their marriage? Why do you think it takes so long for missionaries to get to the field today?
4. What 'accidental thing' did Don do upon arrival to the Sawi that diffused tensions and led to three days of celebration? How does that foreshadow what lies ahead for the Richardsons?

5. What made the Sawis curious about the Tuan? How receptive were they to Don's teaching about Jesus? What did the tribesmen think about the Judas story? (30-32)
6. What problem threatened the peace the Richardsons had hoped to bring to these warring tribes? (32) How did this problem turn out to become a divine icebreaker for Don in communicating the gospel? (34-35). What might we use in breaking the ice when sharing the gospel with others?
7. What is a peace child? Do you believe it is an accurate analogy for the gospel?
8. Explain the impact of the gospel on the Sawi tribe. What did Don experience upon his return to the tribe in 2012? (37-38)
9. How did this chapter stir your heart about missions? What more could we as men or as a church be doing for those yet without the hope of Christ?