

**Connect deeply—Contribute widely - Scripture text:** Romans 15:23-33

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**In Paul's missionary work, what was his approach?** (Following the text of Rom. 15:23-33.)

- 1) Create a team (vv. 23-24)
- 2) Complete priorities first (vv. 25-26)
- 3) Cultivate unity (vv. 27-29)
- 4) Cover with prayer (vv. 30-33).

**How to measure results like Paul:**

- 1) More people are engaged in God's work.
- 2) The most important work gets done first.
- 3) Deep gospel connections and wide family contributions.
- 4) Through prayer, we join in each other's struggles and share God's peace.

**Breakout sesión:**

- 1) Ask for assistance—God's people resource God's vision (vv. 23-24).
- 2) Do not waver from important work that God has called you to do.  
Prioritize and keep your promises (vv. 25-26).
- 3) Unity requires us to safeguard who we are in Christ.  
Balance strong biblical conviction with figuring out how we can partner together (vv. 27-29).
- 4) A quote attributed to Hudson Taylor says:  
“When we work, we work. When we pray, God works” (vv. 30-33).

We welcome you to Immanuel Baptist Church today as we celebrate our Lord's presence in the midst of His people. Missionary Tim Faulkner, general secretary of the International Baptist Convention, will guide us through Rom. 15 seeking to understand the apostle Paul's approach to the fulfillment of his calling and how it might apply to ours. A summary of today's sermon is available below. Our streaming service begins at 11:00 h.