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Issue 2: African Unreached

Least Reached People Groups of Africa

What do we mean by these terms?

"People groups" means groups of people whose language or culture or both language and culture is different from other people around them. They feel they have more in common with each other than with others even in their own country.

"Least Reached" or "Unreached" means a people group that does not yet know the true Gospel of Jesus. Even if there are some people who believe in Jesus, they are so few that they cannot by themselves reach the rest of their own people with the Gospel.

In Africa, there are **775** unreached people groups in 49 countries. The total number of people in these groups is 148 million!

Will you pray for God to send workers to tell them the truth about Jesus?

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Anna's Story A Christian in a Muslim Culture

Meet Anna from Mali, Africa, and her youngest children.



There are very few times in my life that I feel like I have jumped into the Bible and begun to act it out, but meeting Anna was like that. First of all, we went to visit her at her house (note the drab building beside the children in the picture). Anna was at a prayer meeting, and the children did not know where the meeting was.

Later that night Anna came with her older daughter to where we were staying. She came at night, secretly, to tell us her story. She began with, "I am Anna... from Mali." She talked on into the night with the story of her sad life and marriage, how she is separated from her Muslim husband, and how she struggles to raise her family of seven children on her own. Little about her story was happy, except

that Anna and one of her children had become Christians.

Anna married a man from the country where she lives now. When Anna's husband began to mistreat her, she had returned to her home country and her family. Unhappy wives often do this in Africa, but Anna did not understand how hard things would be when her husband would not come to her family to solve their problems.

As months, then years went by without word from her husband, Anna began to wonder if he would ever come for her. At last, she received word from him that she should come immediately—her child was very sick and in the hospital. Her parents told her not to go. They thought it was his trick. But it was not a trick. Anna's husband later called to tell her that the child was dying. The little boy died before she could get to him.

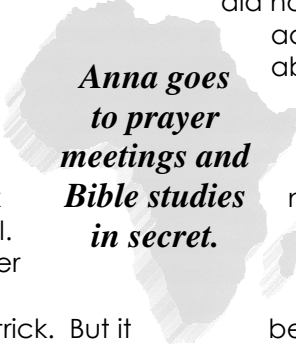
Then she found out all the bad things that had happened to her family while she was away, living in a different country. Anna's husband had abandoned not only her, but their children also. The children had been

forced to take care of themselves. In order to get something to eat, one of the older girls had learned to do immoral things for money.

Anna's story tells me that there is much missionary work to do in Africa. Anna became a true Christian, but she was not taught about how to live in a way pleasing to Jesus. Anna's husband, a Muslim, was not happy about her becoming a believer in Jesus as Savior. The people who led her to the Lord do not understand Islam or Islamic law (Sharia law).

These new Christian friends did not know what advice to give her about helping her husband understand her new Christian life. He is now desperate to get rid of the disgrace she is to his family and friends because she is no longer Muslim.

Anna still struggles, mostly all alone in her world. She goes in secret to attend prayer meetings and Bible study. Only a very few people where she lives are happy about her relationship to Jesus. Anna lives in a large neighborhood that is made up of poor families. She is raising her family from the money she makes in her job.



Anna goes to prayer meetings and Bible studies in secret.

The Great Commission

When Jesus said "Go and make disciples of all nations," (Matthew 28:19) the word translated "nations" is the Greek word *ethné* (from which we get "ethnic"). It means separate people groups, as described on page one in the yellow column. God wants all *ethné*, or peoples, to be disciplined for Him.

A disciple is a person who learns how to live as their leader has taught them to live. This is important to know so we can obey Jesus' Great

Commission. It isn't enough for us to just tell unreached people groups about Jesus. We also need to teach new believers in Jesus how to live as the Bible says they should.

When Anna (of the story on pages 1-3) became a Christian, those who helped her accept Jesus didn't also teach her how to be a disciple of Jesus. They did only part of what Jesus told us to do, but God sent other people to help Anna learn how to live as a Christian should.

Fill in the words of the Great Commission below:

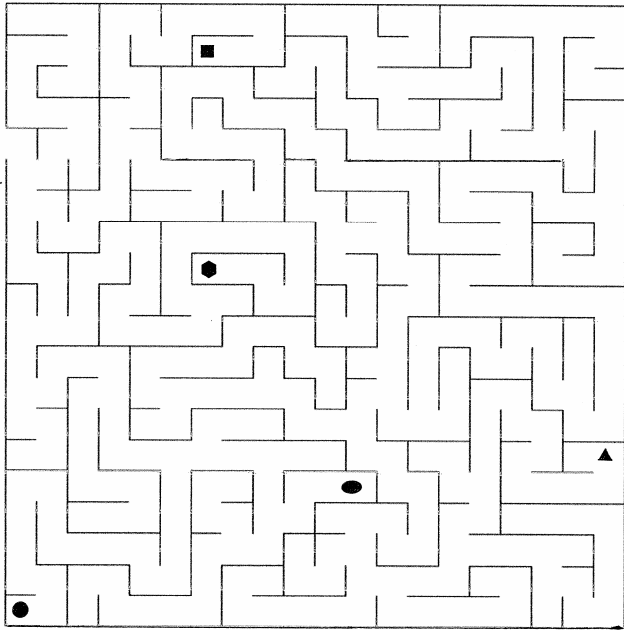


Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

"Go and make _____ of _____ nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and _____ them to _____ everything I have _____ you. And surely I am

with you _____, to the very end of the age."

Anna desires to follow God. Along the way she faces many obstacles. Use the key to help Anna identify the false ways that keep her from finding God. Can you get Anna on the right path to Jesus?



"Jesus said I am the way, the truth and the life; no man comes to the Father but by me." John 14:6

KEY TO ANNA'S OBSTACLES:

B	D	E	F	G	I	K
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Anna's Obstacles:

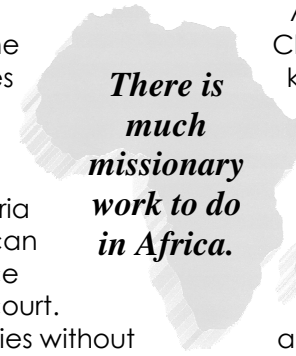
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She does not have what she needs to pay for her children to go to school.

Anna's husband is suing to divorce her. It does not look like she will be treated fairly by the lawyers and judges who will decide about the divorce. In countries with Sharia law, Muslim men can easily get a divorce without going to court. But even in countries without Sharia law, as in Anna's country, Muslim men think they do not need to take care of wives and children if they have left Islam and so are no longer Muslim. The laws of Anna's country say that her husband should take care of his children and Anna, and say that he should pay for their children's education. However, the lawyers and

judges where Anna lives support Islam. They believe that because Anna left Islam, everything is her fault and her hard life is what she deserves.

Anna has only a few Christian friends who know about her and her problems. Anna needs to learn how to truly love her Muslim husband well, even though she has been abused and ridiculed by him and his family. Anna may be the only Christian believer her husband ever hears or sees. Pray that her life would shine for Jesus!



This was written by a missionary who visited Anna's country and area. "Anna" is not her real name. It could be dangerous to her if it were known who she is or where she is.

Think About It

1. Why does Anna go to prayer meetings and Bible studies in secret? _____
2. What gives Anna the courage to be a Christian where it is difficult and even dangerous to be one? _____
3. If God asks you to be a missionary in a country like Anna's, where people don't like Christians, what will give you the courage to do that? _____