## Message

### 信息

What motivates mission?

宣教差傳的動力

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### 1. <u>憑信接受真道 Believe the word of God</u> (v. 13)

約翰福音1:14 道成了肉身, 住在我們中間, 充充满满的有恩典有真理。我們也 見過他的榮光, 正是父獨生子的榮光。 John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

# 2. 效法其他教會 Imitate other churches (vv. 12-16)

受迫害 persecuted - 願意忍受endures 建立堂會 develop mission: 植堂 planting churches (locally & globally) 佈道所 evangelistic station 聚會點 meeting point 開拓分堂 branch

#### 3. 以她為榮為樂

Have glory and joy in mission (vv. 17-20)

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### 東方文化的龍與聖經中的龍 Dragon in the Bible vs. Eastern dragon

短吻鱷 Alligator Sinensis 又稱豬婆龍被美化, 象徵吉祥 symbolized as fortune

啟示錄12章的龍 Dragon in Rev. 12:

撒旦有七頭十角的大紅龍,七頭上戴着七冠冕 The dragon is **Satan** in Revelation 12 who is red with 7 heads, each head has a crown.

### 撒旦阻擋了保羅 Satan hindered Paul