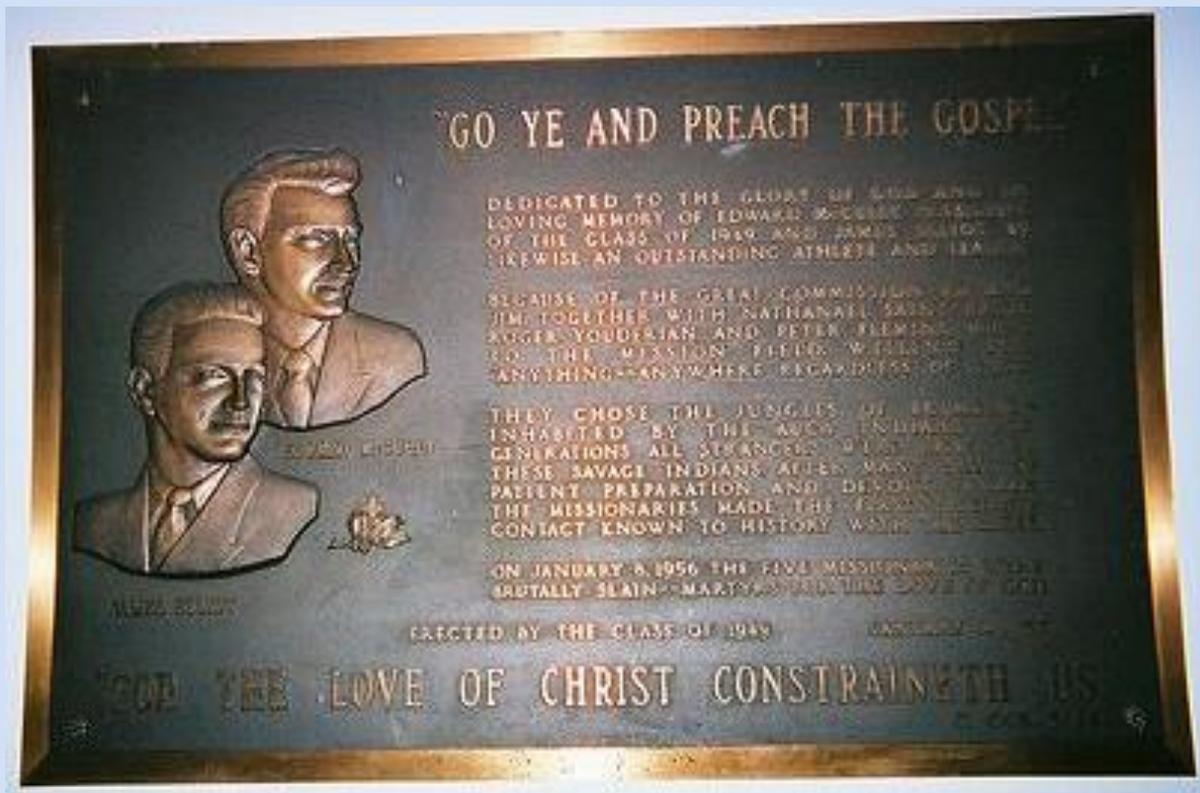


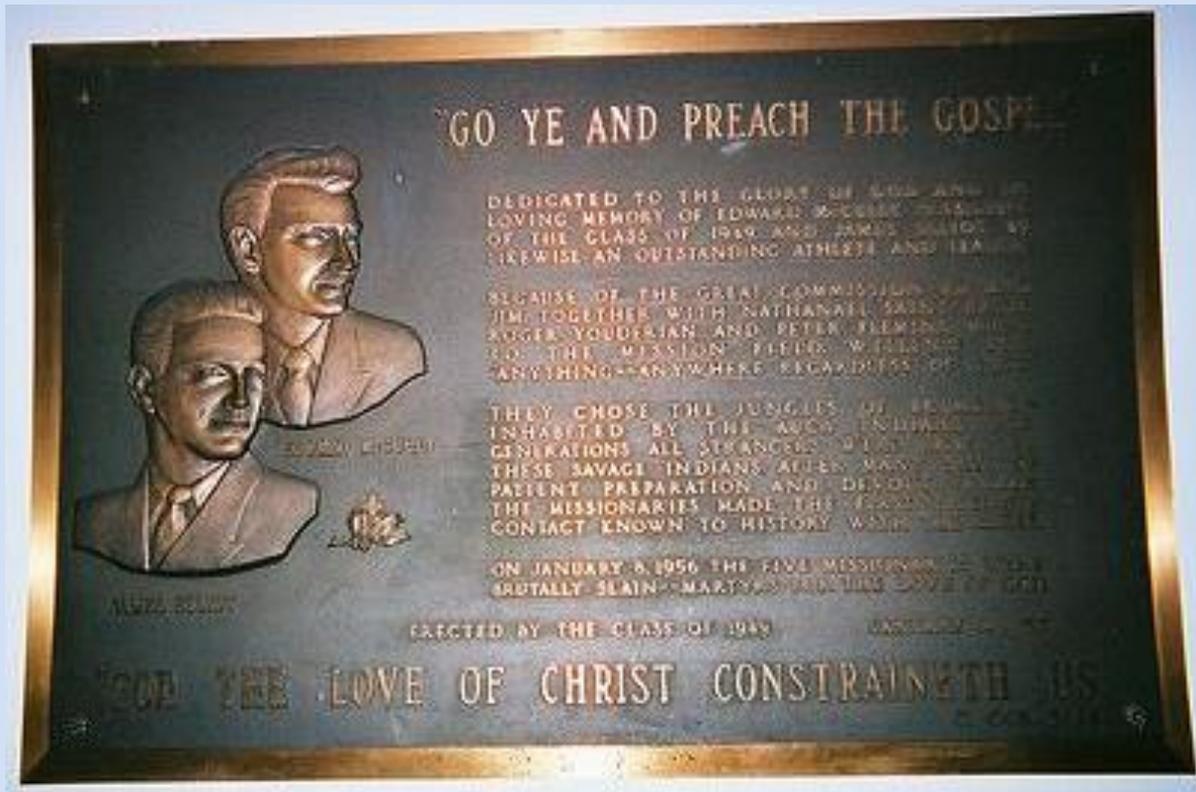


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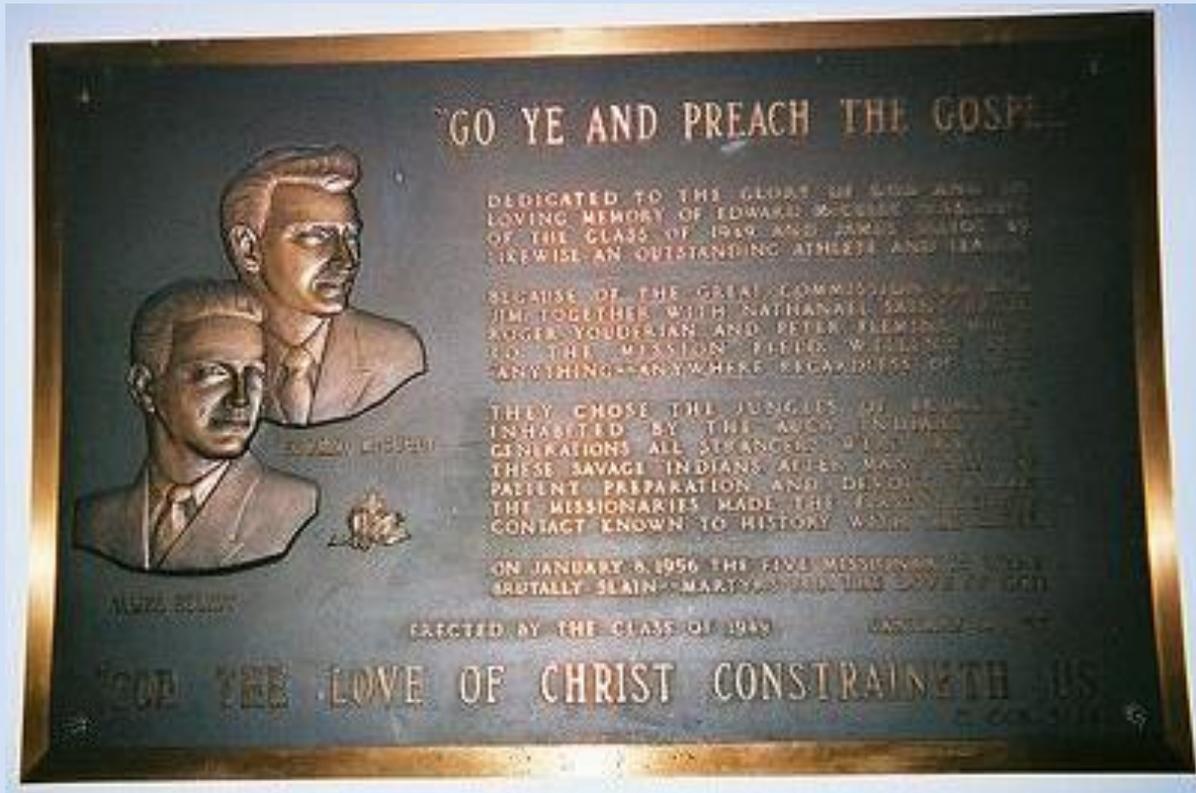
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Senseless deaths?



Senseless deaths, or sovereignly ordained sacrifice?



“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” – Jim Elliot



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God's Sovereignty

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Psalm 103:19

*The LORD has established his throne in heaven,
and his kingdom rules over all.*

Psalm 115:3

Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him.

Psalm 135:6-7

⁶ The LORD does whatever pleases him, in the heavens and on the earth, in the seas and all their depths.

⁷ He makes clouds rise from the ends of the earth; he sends lightning with the rain and brings out the wind from his storehouses.

B. Sovereignty Revealed



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Daniel 4:30

“Is not this the great Babylon I have built as the royal residence, by my mighty power and for the glory of my majesty?”

Daniel 4:34-35

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Genesis 12:2-3

² *“I will make you into a great nation
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and you will be a blessing.*

³ *I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you.”*

C. Sovereignty Illustrated



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Joseph

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¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Genesis 50:19-20

D. Sovereignty Applied



1. Trust

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And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

D. Sovereignty Applied



1. Trust
2. Surrender

D. Sovereignty Applied



1. Trust
2. Surrender
3. Worship

Job 1:20-21

²⁰ At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship ²¹ and said:

*“Naked I came from my mother’s womb,
and naked I will depart.*

*The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away;
may the name of the LORD be praised.”*

Personal Reflection



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- How do you think God might be using these circumstances for your good?