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~~xxxxxx~~ We come thanking <sup>you</sup> ~~free~~ for your ~~leadership~~ blessing and leadership and knowing that you will lead us in our thoughts in order that we may understand those things that are vital for the progress of your kingdom. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

As I understood I was asked to speak on Missions in the Old Testament. The announcement that I saw a couple of days ago said, Missions in the Old Testament period. And that is not what I really considered. I took missions in the Old Testament. ~~I~~ I think that the two overlap and perhaps the second title would be appropriate for most but not nearly ~~a~~ all of what I have to say because there will be very little that I would have to say <sup>that</sup> You might say, that is the Old Testament. That has no relation to us today. But what I am interested in is what is there in the Old Testament there that it does have and important for us today, and I am convinced that most everything in the Old Testament has very great importance for us today. And when you take up this subject of missions in the Old Testament, ~~at-~~ I find in the Old Testament the foundation of missions, I ~~fo~~ find the very basis ~~ef~~ upon which it rests. I find ~~th-~~ some of the most vital examples of missionary work that we can find anywhere. We find the presentation of the principles and methods and ~~appra-~~ approaches which are just as vital today as they ~~w~~ ever were. Now just a ~~rief-~~ <sup>am</sup> brief summary of what I ~~was~~ trying to cover in these four days. My ~~text~~ <sup>intention</sup> today is to speak about the first missionary. The first missionary and his work. In speaking about the first missionary and his work we will spend a good part of our time discussing