SCCC - IF I DON'T THEY WILL

S - Scriptures

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done." I Chronicles 16: 8

C – Consideration

David brought the Ark of God to Jerusalem and established the priests, singers, and musicians to minister regularly to thank and praise the Lord, the God of Israel. He appointed Asaph, a Levite, to lead the daily services before the Ark, to play the lyres and harps, to sound the cymbals; and the priests were to blow the trumpets, and to recite a long Psalm during their religious duties. The words were given by the Holy Spirit to David, and part of the revelation had to do with missions, "make known among the nations what he has done," ... "Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples." "Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"

C – Commitment

Reading this song of David, I can see God reminding Israel of their mission: to make known His name to the world. Why? David explained, "For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens." The nations worshipped false gods, they were in darkness, but Israel had received the revelations and the blessings of the true God. The Lord wanted not just Israel, but the world to know His name. Why? David also answered, "Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day... Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength..." Every person should know God, worship, and join Israel to proclaim his salvation daily. Therefore, this was not just a song, but a command given to them. But, instead of fulfilling their responsibility; they ended up worshipping the false gods of the nations, because they neglected their commission. Like Israel, Jesus, gave a command to His church as well: to share His salvation to the ends of the earth, to proclaim His name and His glory to the world. When we neglect our assignment, unfortunately like Israel, the world will come and bring their false-gods into the church and Christians end up bowing down to them. As a result, what is abominable in the eyes of God is no longer abominable in their eyes. It is not by chance that worldliness, not holiness, has been the "normal" among many denominations, especially among post-Christian nations.

C - Call

My Heavenly Father, help me to keep not just in my mind but put to action the command of Jesus. Help me to remember my brethren's responsibilities to evangelize the world. Deliver us, Lord, from compromising, and eventually allowing pagan practices to come into our churches. Forgive me for when I have been neglectful, and revive us to proclaim the gospel to the nations. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen!