South Asia: Where God changed my heart

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South Asia is an interesting place to visit—especially for an introvert. When I initially applied for a mission trip, I thought I probably would do construction work. God had a different plan in mind.

You see, God sent me to South Asia, and he did it for a reason—so I could share the hope of Jesus Christ with others. Who would have thought a shy college student would be going around looking for people of peace who could open doors for ministry?

Before the trip, I had a fear of talking to others about Jesus and the gospel. As I ended the trip, God opened my heart. Now, I want to share this news with everyone. I learned many ways to spark a conversation, turn it toward spiritual subjects and share the gospel.

I always will remember going through an area where people were scared of the word "Jesus." In that place, people were told they would be beaten up if they believed in Jesus. As we made our way through this area, we prayed, asking God to open doors for a conversation with a bold student or man who would be willing just to listen. We serve an awesome God. He opened up a conversation with a college student who was interested in prayer. His family heard the gospel, and they were the only family in the area willing to listen.

This trip changed me. It does not matter what you do in life; we all have an opportunity to share the good news with someone. This was my first mission trip. God did a number of things in my life. I hope my experience will inspire you to go on mission.

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