Chepang in India



hepang (or Chewang) are one of the most isolated indigenous groups of India. They live near the Nepali border, and the altitude of the region where the Chepang reside is between 4,000 to 6,500 feet above sea level. Destruction of the forests and the demands of an increased population have caused vast land erosion, threatening their environment and their unique culture.

Obstacles

Chepang are described as both Hindus and animists. They have integrated many beliefs and practices from other religions into their own unique system. They perform many rituals and worship a variety of deities, and they also worship dead ancestors. Chepang people do not have a concept of a single creator God or of sin. Many have never seen a Bible.

Outreach Ideas

Most Chepang cannot read or write. Few have access to modern medicine or schools beyond the primary level. There might be opportunities for teachers and doctors to live among them.



Prayer Focus

Pray for church planting and discipleship movements within Chepang people. Pray for believers to help them with basic skills needed in today's world. Pray for a spiritual hunger that will give Chepang people willingness to question Hinduism.

SCRIPTURE How shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, Heb. 2:3

PRAY that this people group would not ignore good news of salvation announced by the Lord Jesus.

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