Machhi (Muslim) in Pakistan



Machhi" refers to fish, and the Machhi people have a history of being fishermen. Most of the Muslim Machhi live in Pakistan, but there are some in northwest India as well. They have three subgroups: the Sial, Wajan, and Sanjri. The sons usually share inherited property, and the widows receive a 12% share of her husband's property. They perform their birth, circumcision, marriage, and death rituals according to Islamic rules. Surprisingly, they also perform certain Hindu rituals.

Ministry Obstacles

By no means does Pakistan welcome Christian missionaries. Dangers are real and numerous for anyone who shows signs of straying from the Muslim fold.

Outreach Ideas

Prayer is what Macchi people need most: sustained, informed, and focused prayer. Spiritual opposition to the gospel is intense.

Prayer Focus

It is not likely that there are any followers of Jesus among the Macchi people of Pakistan and India although there may be a few secret



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POPULATION: 2,308,000

LANGUAGE: Punjabi, Western

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: New Testament

STATUS: Unreached

believers. If there are believers, they need our prayers. Pray they will stay true to the only savior, Jesus Christ. Pray the Macchi people will not be satisfied with their spiritual lives until they embrace Jesus Christ. Pray for a movement to Christ among the Macchi people in Pakistan and India.

SCRIPTURE And all the people saw him walking and praising God. (Acts 3:9)

PRAY for the Lord to do signs and wonders among today's people group. Pray they trust in God and give Him the glory.