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Several hundred years ago, tribes like the Ati lived relatively uninterrupted lives in the hills of central Yunnan. The Han Chinese then flooded the area in massive waves of migration, especially over the last 150 years. Today groups like the Ati, swamped amid the sea of Han Chinese, are barely noticeable to outsiders. As the Han grew in numbers and influence, they forced the Ati off the best land and into the mountains. The Ati were forced to move in order to retain their customs and ethnicity. Those who stayed in the rural areas were soon absorbed culturally and linguistically. The Ati are ardent animists and polytheists. In particular they revere and worship the Dragon god. Most Ati villages have a "dragon tree" set aside for this purpose.

Ministry Obstacles

Spiritual opposition will surely be encountered as Jesus is presented to these followers of "the Dragon god".

Outreach Ideas

Pray for Han Chinese followers of Christ to take an interest in the Ati people, and to be willing to overcome tribal barriers in order to take the news of Jesus to these people. Gospel recordings are available to help with this.

Pray for the followers of Christ

Please pray for the few individuals in the Ati people group who identify themselves as Christians. Pray they will come to truly know Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray for the Ati to be completely set free from "the Dragon god". Freedom comes from knowing and serving Jesus Christ.

Scripture Focus

"...that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God; there is no one else." 1 Kings 8:60