

BE A BRINGER


“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....”
John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:


PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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PRAISE
- Last Sunday, there were 2 people who confirmed their faith.
- Praise the Lord that his house is full and people desire to please the Lord with their lives.

PRAY
- Pray for a team coming from the Dallas, Texas area to help spread the gospel.
- Pray for an upcoming friend day at church.
- Pray for 4 upcoming evangelistic events at Manna feeding centers. Pray that God will bless the efforts and for fruit that will remain.



GO!

ACTIONS THAT TRANSFORM LIVES

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Study Date: 08/11/24

Go With Commitment

In Matthew's story of Jesus, these are His parting words to His eleven remaining disciples. Verses 18–20 are often called the "Great Commission" because Jesus is sending His hand-chosen disciples out into the world to accomplish a specific mission: Make more disciples. This comes with some noteworthy inclusions, but what is also crucial are things which Jesus does *not* say.

Specifically, the disciples are to make more disciples of *all* nations. This means people from every people group and ethnicity on earth. Through Jesus, God's relationship with humanity has moved beyond Israel to include people from every corner of the world who come to the Father through the Son.

Jesus' command is to make "disciples." A disciple is someone who becomes like his or her master by living in a servant relationship to him. They learn from and submit to that person's example. That's what each of the eleven disciples hearing this for the first time had done in answer to Jesus' call. It is now what they will invite others to participate in from around the world.

Discipleship to Jesus involves at least the two things Jesus mentions in this command: baptism and obedience. The disciples are commanded to baptize new disciples in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The choice to be publicly baptized is evidence that someone has believed in Jesus and made the commitment to follow Him. The disciples were given the authority to baptize that person in the name of God, declaring that person's position in the eternal family of God.

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KEY VERSE

Matthew 28:19 (NKJV)

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Matthew 28:19

Introduction

1. Using the four paragraphs on page 1 How would you summarize and explain the Great Commission to a new believer?
2. In fully understanding the command given by Jesus to the disciples in Matthew 28:19, how does this command impact us today as believers?

Tuesday: Matthew 28:18a; Matthew 28:20b

Our Lord's Commitment To His Followers

3. How is the power of Jesus “endowed” to us as believers? What promise do we receive in Jesus's statement: *“All authority has been given to Me”*?
4. Jesus makes the statement; *“...lo, I am with you always”* in Matthew 28:20b. How will this empower us as “going” believers?

Wednesday: Matthew 28:19a; Matthew 28:20a

The Christian's Commitment To Obey Our Lord Jesus

5. What “clear command” has God given to us in Mathew 28:19a?
6. Matthew 28:20a instructs us to make disciples by *“teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you.”* How often are YOU achieving this?

Thursday: Romans 15:19-20

Paul's Two-Fold Resolution As The Strategic Solution

7. In Romans 15:19 Paul tells us the he has *“fully preached the gospel of Christ”* to Illyricum. Where do we need to preach it in today's world?
8. In Romans 15:20 Paul states: *“I have made it my aim to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named.”* So to “whom “ specifically did he preach?
9. By “lack of” what action do we achieve “failure” to spread the gospel?

Friday: Acts 20:22-24; I Corinthians 9:22

What Does Commitment Look Like For You Today?

10. What can we expect as we go forward to preach the gospel according to Acts 20:23? What *“chains and tribulations”* may *“await”* us?
11. What “sacrifice” is the scripture *“nor do I count my life dear to myself”* in Acts 20:24 calling us to as followers of Christ? Are YOU making it?
12. What meaning should we take from the verse *“to the weak I became as weak, that I might win the weak.”* How do WE execute this?