

Sermon Questions for Care Groups

Disciple-Making God's Way

Matthew 28:18-20

February 19, 2012

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2. Read Matthew 28:18-20. What over-arching command is noted in this passage? What three commands are given that fulfill the intent of the one over-arching command?
3. With this being the final instruction recorded by Matthew that Jesus gives to His disciples on earth (see also Luke 24:47 and Acts 1:8-9), what does that say about the importance of what He commands? What place was this instruction to take in the hearts of His followers (see Matthew 6:33)?
4. How ingrained in you are Jesus' commands about disciple-making? How much of your time and strategizing is oriented around making disciples? What does your time tend to be oriented around? What is one step you plan to take toward becoming an obedient "disciple-making" Christian?
5. Are you a disciple of Jesus? How do you know? Have you been baptized? Do you "go" places with the gospel in order to make disciples? Who, in your circles, do you teach about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus? What steps do you take to learn about what it means for you to be a fully-devoted disciple of Jesus?
6. In Matthew 28:18, Jesus comforts and gives confidence to His disciples by saying that "all authority in heaven and earth" has been given to Him. How did that help His disciples in their disciple-making, and how does that help you today?
7. What comfort does Jesus give His disciples at the end of Matthew 28:20? Ephesians 1:13-14 makes it clear that Jesus is with all believers by the indwelling presence of His Holy Spirit. Do you live as though this promise is truly yours? Please explain. How will you be different as a disciple and a disciple-maker if you truly live as though this promise is true (because it is!)?

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