

Activating The Great Commission

In Matthew 28 Jesus shares the direction we now label “The Great Commission”. *“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you...”* To many, these words are easy to read—but to most—not so easy to live out.

Some see this commission from the understanding of – first – going somewhere—and then—beginning to share the plan of making disciples. However, it is my belief, we should learn to live these words where we are right now, every day of our life, with every person we meet. To be successful with this theory, we do not have to go from point A to point B and then start teaching the Commission. Instead, we should speak, share, and live the Commission while we are going through life from point A to point B, and every place in between.

We need to speak into the culture of our time. We need to speak to the individuals who are sharing life with us and who are also totally loved by God. The same God we serve and love. The same God who loved all people enough to speak this Commission into the lives of the people of His day, and who’s eternal plan was for us to share the same words and love into the lives of people in our day.

To emulate the success of our teacher, we will need to share the personal value of each person we meet. Sharing how God loves them. When they see us live the words Jesus taught, and then share the Commission, they will want to be His disciples. Their success may very well hinge on how well we speak about their personal worth and their eternal value. These actions and this focus, can activate the Great Commission for every person we meet; every day.

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