

Making Disciples
Matthew 28:16-20
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Matthew 28:16–20 (NLT)

16 Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him—but some of them doubted! 18 Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

We go with the authority of Jesus behind us.

Matthew 28:18 (NLT)

I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth.

Daniel 7:13–14 (ESV)

13 “I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. 14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

We go, making disciples just like Jesus did.

How did Jesus make disciples? He taught!

Matthew 28:20a (NLT)

Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you.

He taught formally.

He taught situationally.

He taught in community.

We go with the presence of Jesus with us.

Matthew 28:20b (NLT)

And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Acts 1:8 (NASB95)

8 but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”

Do you know what is so exciting about all of this?

Matthew 24:14 (NASB95)

14 “This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.

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