

THE GREAT COMMISSION

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MATTHEW 28:16-20

Introduction

1. A Heart for the Lost

- Come & See
- Go & Serve

2. A Commitment to Making Disciples

Road Block 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

3. A Sense of Jesus' Presence

- Inspires
- _____
- _____

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

1. On a scale of 1-10, how big a procrastinator are you? What important jobs/tasks do you sometimes put off doing? What are some common causes of procrastination?
2. Read Matthew 28:16-20 to discover the mission that Jesus gave his followers. What's the significance of Matthew mentioning "eleven" disciples who went to Galilee to reconnect with Jesus? Why do you think Jesus reminded his disciples that God had given him "all authority in heaven and on earth" before challenging them with the Great Commission (multiple answers)?
3. What two-word expression does Jesus use in v.19 to indicate that he wants us to reach as many people as possible with the Gospel? What keeps you from having a bigger heart for the lost--and what could you do about it?
4. Describe the difference between CCC's "Come & See" and "Go & Serve" strategies. Give examples of each. How effectively are you using each of these approaches? Explain.
5. What's the difference between making "decisions" and making "disciples"? What's the mark of a disciple, according to v.20? What are some common roadblocks to walking in obedience to Jesus (from the sermon)? What's your biggest roadblock--and how could you overcome it?
6. What's the significance of Jesus using the plural "you" in the second half of v.20 ("surely I am with you")? Read Revelation 21:3. What does God promise us in his eternal Kingdom? How do we experience a taste of that today?
7. What are the benefits of regularly gathering with God's people? What deficits will we experience if we neglect these gatherings?

PRAYER PROMPT: Spend 2-3 minutes making a list of applications you can take from this weekend's teaching that you could begin doing in your life in the next few weeks - big or small. Choose one, share it with a partner, and spend 2-3 minutes praying over each other's commitment to applying it to their life. Don't forget to check in with your partner in a few weeks to see how it's going!