"Be Committed to the Great Commission"

(Sunday Morning June 2nd, 2024)

Passage: Matthew 28:16-20

Eph 1:6 "(We Have Been Predestined Verse 5) *to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.*" (Emphasis Added)

Eph 3:21 "to Him (God the Father) *be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen."*

John 17:4 "I glorified You on the earth, having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do."

2 Cor 5:19 "...God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself...and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation"

Jesus g_____ God the Father by providing a plan of redemption; and now, we (Christians) are to g_____ God by telling people about His plan of redemption.

I. There is Something Jesus Wants Us to D_____

1) Jesus Wants Us to M_____Disciples

It might interest you to know that in *1 Corinthians 15:6* we are told that there were over ______ believers present when Jesus made this statement.

2) Jesus Wants Us to M_____Disciples

a. Baptism is Our First Act of O_____ as a Christian

Acts 8:36 "As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch *said, "Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?"

Acts 8:37-38 "37 [And Philip said, ''If you believe with all your heart, you may.'' And he answered and said, ''I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.''] 38 And he ordered the chariot to stop; and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch, and he baptized him."

b. Baptism is a Symbol of the Death, Burial and R______ of Christ

Rom 6:3-4 "3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life"

3) Jesus Wants Us to M_____Disciples

Jude 1:3 Says That We Should "...contend (Fight) earnestly for the faith (Doctrine) Acts 20:27 "for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God" (ESV)

I will also say that the main problem I have with many modern day Preachers is not as much with what they say as it is with what they d______ n____s____.

II. There is Somewhere Jesus Wants Us to G_____

1) Jesus Said to Go E_____

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1 Cor 1:26 "For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble"

2) Jesus Said to go From H_____

Acts 1:8 "(Jesus Said) 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"

Acts 8:1 "Saul was in hearty agreement with putting him to death (Referring to the Deacon Stephen). And on that day a great persecution began against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria,..."

If they could get s______ in their day, we can get s______ in our day too; and so, we need to be aware of this tendency.

III. There is Something Jesus Wants Us to K_____

1) We Have A_____

Phil 2:10-11 "10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Matt 16:18 "(Jesus Said)...upon this rock (Peter's Confession) I will build My church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Emphasis Added)

The book of Acts ends with Paul standing in his own rented quarters, welcoming *"all who came to him"* And preaching about the kingdom of God u_____.

2) We Have S_____

Heb 13:5 "...for He Himself has said, 'I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU'" Rom 8:31 "... If God is for us, who is against us?"

This means that we do not have to a ______ for our existence as a church or for anything that we do to accomplish this mission.

Rom 10:9-10 (Reference)