



GREAT INVITATION & COMMISSION

Matthew 28:18 – 20

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MESSAGE NOTES

"Everyone then who hears these words of Mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it." And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at His teaching, for He was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes. — Matthew 7:24 – 29 (ESV)

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." — Matthew 28:18 – 20 (ESV)

Often church can be about preference not purpose. Jesus invites purpose



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Where might you be getting in your own way with the thought, “*I know how this is supposed to work*”?
- How often have you read Matthew 28:18 – 20?
- How are you currently living out this invitation and commission?
- In the last 30 days, how many new-to-you people have you met at ENCOUNTER?
- In the last 30 days, how many people—who are not like you—have you met and been willing to engage with? (Think: different ethnicity, socio-economic status, gender, work industry, neighborhood, school system, etc.)
- Where at ENCOUNTER have you gotten comfortable?
- Where are you willing to shift and get uncomfortable in order to care well for others?
- What do you long to contribute to the Kingdom of Jesus?