Mat. 28:18-20

The Great Commission

• In 2018, Barna Group researchers did a study on the Great Commission (GC). They asked American churchgoers if they had ever heard of the term. 51% said no, and only 17% were able to answer affirmatively and say what the GC is. Even when given the option of multiple choice, only 37% could pick it out from a list.

What Is The GC?

- Going active context; to seek out; to do something
- Baptizing causing a person to obey the gospel of Christ
- Teaching develop into faithful disciples of Christ

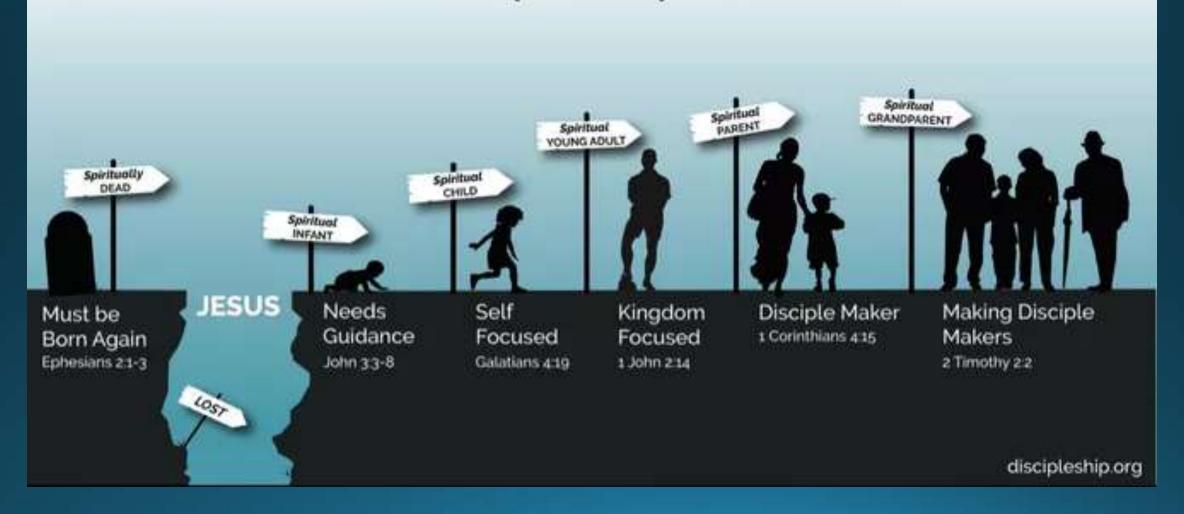
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- (18) And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
- (19) <u>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing</u> them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- (20) <u>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.</u>
 And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

We're All Teachers

- Simple Definition of a Teacher: "One for whom knowledge is transferred."
- Jesus teaches us
- Parents teach children (Pro. 22:6)
- Older women teach younger women (Tit. 2:3-4)
- Older men teach younger men (Gal 6:1)

The Discipleship Process



Conclusion

- The GC is not an end to a means but a means to an end.. Salvation!
- Baptism is a new "beginning" New Life
- Go the distance
 - Leverage help from others
- We are successful when we've "Made Faithful Disciples"
- What part can you play in carrying out Jesus' final command?