



## Lesson 74 – Go Teach All Nations

Based on Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 16:15-20

1) What did Jesus declare to the Disciples after he had risen again?

**Matthew 28:18** And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, \_\_\_\_\_ is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Standing but a step from His heavenly throne, Christ gave their commission to His disciples.

2) What was it?

**Mark 16:15** And he said unto them, Go ye into all the \_\_\_\_\_, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Again, and again the words were repeated, that the disciples might grasp their significance. Upon all the inhabitants of the earth, high and low, rich and poor, was the light of heaven to shine in clear, strong rays. The disciples were to be co-laborers with their Redeemer in the work of saving the world.

3) How did Matthew say the same thing?

**Matthew 28:19-20** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, \_\_\_\_\_ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to \_\_\_\_\_ all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Christ's words on the mountainside were the announcement that His sacrifice on behalf of man was full and complete. The conditions of the atonement had been fulfilled; the work for which He came to this world had been accomplished. He was on His way to the throne of God, to be honored by angels, principalities, and powers. He had entered upon His mediatorial work.

4) What Words of encouragement did Jesus remind His Disciples of?

**John 5:39** Search the \_\_\_\_\_; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of \_\_\_\_\_.

Before leaving His disciples, Christ plainly stated the nature of His kingdom. He called to their minds what He had previously told them concerning it. He declared that it was not His purpose to establish in this world a temporal, but a spiritual kingdom. He was not to reign as an earthly king on David's throne. Again, He opened to them the Scriptures, showing that all He had passed through had been ordained in heaven, in the councils between the Father and Himself. All had been foretold by men inspired by the Holy Spirit. He said, You see that all I have revealed to you concerning My rejection as the Messiah has come to pass. All I have said in regard to the humiliation I should endure and the death I should die, has been verified. On the third day I rose again. Search the Scriptures more diligently, and you will see that in all these things the specifications of prophecy concerning Me have been fulfilled.

5) What was God's plan for the Disciples as they first started out?

**Zechariah 12:7** The LORD also shall save the tents of \_\_\_\_\_ first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of \_\_\_\_\_ do not magnify themselves against Judah.



**6) What does the Book of Acts say they did?**

**Acts 26:20** But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at \_\_\_\_\_, and throughout all the coasts of \_\_\_\_\_, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

Christ commissioned His disciples to do the work He had left in their hands, beginning at Jerusalem. Jerusalem had been the scene of His amazing condescension for the human race. There He had suffered, been rejected and condemned. The land of Judea was His birthplace. There, clad in the garb of humanity, He had walked with men, and few had discerned how near heaven came to the earth when Jesus was among them. At Jerusalem the work of the disciples must begin.

**7) What amazing testimony did Luke give us in the Book of Acts?**

**Acts 6:7** And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the \_\_\_\_\_ were obedient to the faith.

there were in Jerusalem many who had secretly believed on Jesus, and many who had been deceived by the priests and rulers. To these also the gospel was to be presented. They were to be called to repentance. The wonderful truth that through Christ alone could remission of sins be obtained was to be made plain. While all Jerusalem was stirred by the thrilling events of the past few weeks, the preaching of the gospel would make the deepest impression.

**8) What promise did Jesus keep, even with Gentiles?**

**John 6:37** All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in \_\_\_\_\_ cast out.

The Gospel was to be extended to the earth's remotest bounds. To His disciples Christ said, You have been witnesses of My life of self-sacrifice on behalf of the world. You have witnessed My labors for Israel. Although they would not come unto Me that they might have life, although priests and rulers have done to Me as they listed, although they have rejected Me as the Scriptures foretold, they shall have still another opportunity of accepting the Son of God. You have seen that all who come to Me, confessing their sins, I freely receive.

**9) What promises did Jesus make to the Disciples (and us)?**

**Mark 16:17-18** And these \_\_\_\_\_ shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall \_\_\_\_\_.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit the disciples were to receive a marvelous power. Their testimony was to be confirmed by signs and wonders. Miracles would be wrought, not only by the apostles, but by those who received their message.

**10) What example had Christ made previously?**

**Matthew 4:23** And Jesus went about all Galilee, \_\_\_\_\_ in their synagogues, and \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel of the kingdom, and \_\_\_\_\_ all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.



The disciples were to have the same power which Jesus had. And a new endowment was now promised. The disciples were to preach among other nations, and they would receive power to speak other tongues. The apostles and their associates were unlettered men, yet through the outpouring of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost, their speech, whether in their own or a foreign language, became pure, simple, and accurate, both in word and in accent.

Christ gave His disciples their commission. He made full provision for the prosecution of the work and took upon Himself the responsibility for its success. So long as they obeyed His word, and worked in connection with Him, they could not fail. Go to all nations, He bade them. Go to the farthest part of the habitable globe but know that My presence will be there. Labor in faith and confidence, for the time will never come when I will forsake you.

***It is a fatal mistake to suppose that the work of saving souls depends alone on the ordained minister. All to whom the heavenly inspiration has come are put in trust with the gospel. All who receive the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men.***

**11) What call does Jesus make?**

**Revelation 22:17** And the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

Everyone who hears is to repeat the invitation. Whatever one's calling in life, his first interest should be to win souls for Christ. He may not be able to speak to congregations, but he can work for individuals. To them he can communicate the instruction received from his Lord. Ministry does not consist alone in preaching. Those who minister, who relieve the sick and suffering, helping the needy, speaking words of comfort to the desponding and those of little faith. Nigh and afar off are souls weighed down by a sense of guilt. It is not hardship, toil, or poverty that degrades humanity. It is guilt, wrongdoing. This brings unrest and dissatisfaction. Christ would have His servants minister to sin-sick souls.

**12) What was Paul's goal in life?**

**2 Corinthains 10:16** To preach the gospel in the \_\_\_\_\_ you, and not to boast in another man's line of things made ready to our hand.

Christ tears away the wall of partition, the dividing prejudice of nationality, and teaches a love for all the human family. He lifts men from the narrow circle which their selfishness prescribes; He abolishes all territorial lines and artificial distinctions of society. He makes no difference between neighbors and strangers, friends and enemies. He teaches us to look upon every needy soul as our brother, and the world as our field.

**13) What will give power to our work?**

**1 Corinthians 12:7-10** But the manifestation of the \_\_\_\_\_ is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of \_\_\_\_\_; to another the word of \_\_\_\_\_ by the same Spirit; To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of \_\_\_\_\_ by the same Spirit; To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of \_\_\_\_\_; to another the interpretation of tongues:



**14) What will the Holy Spirit bring to our work?**

**1 Corinthians 12:11-12** But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. For as the body is one, and hath many \_\_\_\_\_, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is \_\_\_\_\_.

The promise is just as strong and trustworthy now as in the days of the apostles.

**15) What is one of the conditions of receiving His power?**

**Matthew 11:29-30** Take my \_\_\_\_\_ upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

The very life of the church depends upon her faithfulness in fulfilling the Lord's commission. To neglect this work is surely to invite spiritual feebleness and decay. Where there is no active labor for others, love wanes, and faith grows dim.

**16) What does God say to those who won't carry this mantle?**

**Luke 13:27** But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of \_\_\_\_\_.

Would we know how Christ regards it? How would a father and mother feel, did they know that their child, lost in the cold and the snow, had been passed by, and left to perish, by those who might have saved it? Would they not be terribly grieved, wildly indignant? Would they not denounce those murderers with wrath hot as their tears, intense as their love? The sufferings of every man are the sufferings of God's child, and those who reach out no helping hand to their perishing fellow beings provoke His righteous anger. This is the wrath of the Lamb.

**17) What shall we do?**

**Matthew 28:20** Teaching them to \_\_\_\_\_ all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

The gospel is to be presented, not as a lifeless theory, but as a living force to change the life. God desires that the receivers of His grace shall be witnesses to its power. Those whose course has been most offensive to Him He freely accepts; when they repent, He imparts to them His divine Spirit, places them in the highest positions of trust, and sends them forth into the camp of the disloyal to proclaim His boundless mercy. He would have His servants bear testimony to the fact that through His grace men may possess Christlikeness of character and may rejoice in the assurance of His great love. He would have us bear testimony to the fact that He cannot be satisfied until the human race are reclaimed and reinstated in their holy privileges as His sons and daughters.

**18) What image are we being made into?**

**Romans 8:29** For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

**19) What does the Bible say the Disciples did?**

**Mark 16:20** And they went forth, and preached \_\_\_\_\_, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

These disciples prepared themselves for their work. Before the day of Pentecost they met together and put away all differences. They were of one accord. They believed Christ's promise that the blessing would be given, and they prayed in faith. They did not ask for a blessing for themselves merely; they were weighted with the burden for the salvation of souls. The gospel was to be carried to the uttermost parts of the earth, and they claimed the endowment of power that Christ had promised. Then it was that the Holy Spirit was poured out, and thousands were converted in a day.

Can you see God calls you? - Do you want to hear Jesus call you home? - When is the time to share what you have?