

Series: Disciple

Part 13: Sharing God

Sunday March 6, 2016

1. *All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age* (Mt. 28:18-20).

2. How do we make disciples?

3. What Jesus could have added to the *Great Commission*:

- *I came so that men might have life – and life to the full* (Jn. 10:10)
- *Sin robs men of life and corrupts their relationship with Abba* (Ro. 3:23)
- *The cost of their sin is death* (Ro. 6:23)
- *But I paid the price for men's sins – reversing death by giving my life in exchange* (Ro. 5:8)
- *There is nothing then that men can do to save themselves from the cost of their sin but receive forgiveness by the grace of God* (Eph. 2:8-10). *When I said, 'It is finished' – I meant it!*
- *When men confess this with their mouths and believe it in their hearts – it is evidence of their salvation* (Ro. 10:9-10)
- *As will be how they act* (Jas. 2:17, 26)
- *To all who place their faith in me – they would become children of God* (Jn. 12:12-13).
- *And they would then have eternal life* (1 John 5:11-13).

4. Problems with leaving missional work to the clergy:

- Clergy don't do life with the people you do.
- It's not likely that they'll come to us.
- This kind of thinking works against you growing up in Christ.

5. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wQriLdCECA>

6. How *do* we make disciples?

- Share our faith by word and deed "as we go" about our days with others.
- Share the basics which were the basis for our own decision to trust Jesus.
- Baptize them when they place their faith in Christ.
- Teach them to obey Jesus even as we are learning to do the same.

Study Notes

DISCUSSION

1. Jesus commanded us to "make disciples." What do you think he meant? What feelings does this command stir in you?

2. Talk about a time when you've been involved in the process of someone coming to faith in Christ, ie. as someone who prayed for them or as someone who listened well and gave them things to think about or as someone who was there at the time they placed their faith in Christ. What was it like? What would you change, if anything? Are you still involved in their life?

INTO THE BIBLE

3. What are the basics of the gospel? See #3 on the reverse side of these notes. How might you put the basics of the gospel in your own words?

4. View Joseph Solomon's webisode: *What the Gospel Is and Aint*.

Here's the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2BGNmd5EN>

Has our boy Joe captured the basics of the gospel? What might you add or take away?

5. It's easy (and understandable) to get nervous about sharing our faith. Read 1 Tim. 1:7-8. What does God *not* give us? What three things *does* he give us? What might they mean to us with regards to making disciples?

APPLICATION

6. Who can you (and your LIFE GROUP) pray for in your life who has not yet placed their faith in Jesus Christ?

7. What are some common points of interest with the folks listed in #6 above? How might those points act as links to something you might say about God that would give them pause for thought? See Acts 17:16-31 to see how Paul did this.