

Great Commision

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REVIEW LAST WEEK'S NEXT STEPS

What, if any, next step did you commit to last week, how did it go?

- I commit to gather together with the church to worship.
- I will prepare and participate in making his praise glorious.
- I will worship God with my mind and heart, for he is worthy to receive all my worship.
- I will offer God worship as a way of life and not just an hour a week.
- I will taste and see that the Lord is good.
- I will choose joy.

THIS WEEK'S SERMON RECAP

Matthew 28:18-20 is The Great Commission where Jesus sent out his followers, most of whom had no formal education or cultural standing, to go and spread his love, grace, hope and purposes to people who are far from him. They seemed like such unlikely candidates to go change the world.

But they did it. And today, Jesus is calling us to go make disciples the same way he called his followers over 2,000 years ago. The Gospel spreads today the same way it did then — when one follower of Jesus gets so convinced that the life Jesus offers really is the pearl of great price, that he or she goes to tell someone else.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the best and worst thing about motivational gain? What about motivational pain?
2. How often do you find yourself in “pain avoidance” mode?

3. Read Matthew 28: 18-20. After listening to Sunday's message, what does this verse mean to you?

4. Have you ever received an awkward invitation or extended an awkward invitation? How did it turn out?

5. How do you normally extend your invitations?

6. Do you invite people to church? Why or why not?

7. How do you feel inviting people to church?

NEXT STEPS FOR THIS WEEK (COMMIT TO GROW)

- I will begin to pray for unchurched people where I live.
- I will invest in people far from God.
- I will be intentional about inviting people to Blue Oaks.
- I will serve someone who is far from God this week.
- I will not let fear prevent me from inviting people to church.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- Matthew 28:16-20

Prayer Request(s)
