Missions and the Church Matthew 28:16-20

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1.	The Great Commission assumes theof the local church.		
	"A Church is a company of, baptized on a profession of their faith in Christ, united in covenant to maintain the ordinances of the Gospel, and the public worship of God; to live godly lives, and to spread abroad the knowledge of Christ as the Savior of men." - Edward Hiscox		
2.	. The church is commissioned by Christ to make, baptize them and teach them.		
	The church must be faithful to share the of Jesus Christ.		
	"[Evangelism is] To present Jesus Christ to sinful men, in order that they may come to put their trust in God to receive Him [Christ] as their Savior and serve Him as their King in the fellowship of the" - Ernest Reisinger		
	b. Christ has given the church the authority to those who make a credible profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.		

	c. Baptism represents the Christian's initiation into the		
	"It is the of such who a to give up themselves to some particu church of Jesus Christ, that they may commandments and ordinances of the - Baptist Catechism	walk in all the	
	d. Christ has commissioned His chur or equip His people for life and mir		
	"We see how God, who could in a mo own, nevertheless desires them to gro solely under the education of the - John Calvin	ow up into manhood	
	"God has designed the church to be to we move from sinfulness to holiness. in Christ outside of the to learn to swim without ever getting in - Wayne Mack	Attempting to grow is like trying	
3.	The Great Commission calls the church to have a vision for and ministry to the of the world.		
	a. The church is called to	for the lost.	
	b. "'I will down,' said Mr. C 'but remember that you must hold Fuller responded, 'We solemnly er while we live, shall we desert him.	the' ngage to do so; nor	