

MISSION POSSIBLE!
Following Jesus – Our Great Commission

Matthew 28:16-20

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Bottom Line:

Jesus gives his disciples a mission that will guide the rest of their lives...as well as the future of the church. We as disciples of Christ are to dedicate ourselves to fulfilling His instructions!

1. We have _____ in Christ to accomplish our mission! Matthew 28:18

Jesus has...

- A. Authority over _____.
- B. Authority over _____.
- C. Authority over _____.

2. We have a _____ to maximize our efforts! Matthew 28:19-20

- A. Share through _____ (“make disciples”).
- B. Stand through _____. (“baptizing”)

“Ordinance” defined: A ceremony of the Christian Church established directly by Jesus Christ that is regarded as an outward sign of inward change or work of grace in a person’s life. (an act of obedience to Christ).
- C. Strengthen through _____ “teaching”.

<u>WATER BAPTISM</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Done only once	Done many times
Beginning of the Christian life	Done throughout the Christian life
Key Word: UNION (identification) See Romans 6:3-4. Believer is identified with Jesus Christ.	Key Word: COMMUNION (fellowship) See 1 Cor. 10:16; 11:28,31. Believer is able to fellowship with Jesus Christ.
Because of the cross I have a new life!	Because of the cross I can enjoy the new life that I have!
I am a new creature in Christ!	Walk as a new creature in Christ!
My STANDING (POSITION) in Christ is perfect! God sees me in His perfect Son!	My actual STATE is not always what it should be. Need to "examine myself" to make sure that I stay in fellowship with Him (1 Cor. 11:28-32; 1 Jn 1:5-9).

3. We have a _____ to encourage us as we fulfill Christ’s command! Matthew 28:20

- A. Applies to _____.
- B. Applies to _____. (“Us”)
- C. Applies to every _____, every-_____.

Now What?

1. Know clearly that you are part of the _____ and Jesus’ message is for you!
2. Personally “own” what the calling and mission of the church is.
3. _____ the part that we can have in achieving and supporting the church’s mission.