

We Must Go To The Nations

Matthew 28:18-20

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I. The Foundation For Missions – Limitless Authority (vs. 18).

- A. The claim of authority – Jesus has authority over heaven and earth.
- B. Examples of Jesus' authority:
 - 1. Authoritative Teaching: In Matthew 7:28-29.
 - 2. Authority Over Creation: In Matthew 8:23-27.
 - 3. Authority Forgive Sins: In Matthew 9:1-8.
 - 4. Authority To Heal The Sick & Cast Out Demons: In Matthew 10:1.
 - 5. Authority Over The Death & Sin: In Matthew 28:2-6.
- C. The importance of limitless authority – it is the foundation for missions.

II. The Plan For Missions – Go, Make Disciples (vs. 19-20a).

- A. The plan for missions involves Christians going to the nations.
- B. The plan for missions will be costly.
- C. The plan for missions involves baptizing believers.
- D. The plan for missions involves teaching the whole counsel of God's Word.
- E. The plan for missions will take time and resources.

III. The Promise For Missions – God's Presence (vs. 20b).

- A. We are not asked to make disciples on our own authority or our own power.
- B. Jesus promises to be with us as we obey His command to go to the nations.