

The People Of God, Pursuing The Plans of God, By the Power Of God

The Call To Make Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20

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Thesis: We are to be committed to glorifying God, as the people of God, because He is worthy to be glorified. As both the church gathered and the church scattered we are to have an outward proclamation and an inward meditation of the gospel. This should lead to being a disciple who makes disciples of all nations. The glory of God and the weight of this task should drive us to our knees in prayer.

1. We must be transfixed on the glory of Christ (vs. 18).
 - A. Two words from the text that capture our attention.
 1. All

 2. Authority

 - B. How far does the authority of Christ extend?
 1. Heaven

 2. Earth

 - C. How did Jesus get this authority?

2. We have been called to expose the world around us to the truth of the gospel in word and in deed (vs. 19-20).

A. Teach expecting a response.

1. Make disciples by presenting the gospel, and as they receive the gospel, help them obey the Lord in baptism.

2. Teach the word of God with the expectation that you will observe the teaching together.

B. Believe that the triune God is with us and empowers us to do what he has called us to do.

3. The glory of God and the weight of this task will drive us to our knees in prayer.