The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18–20 (NLT) ¹⁸ Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."



Believe, Openly Declare, Call on the Name of the Lord

John 3:16–17 (NLT) ¹⁶ "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

Surrender

Luke 14:25–33 (NLT) The Cost of Being a Disciple

²⁵ A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around and said to them, ²⁶ "If you want to be my disciple, you must, by comparison, hate everyone else—your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And if you do not carry your own cross and follow me, you cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ "But don't begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? ²⁹ Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. ³⁰ They would say, 'There's the person who started that building and couldn't afford to finish it!' ³¹ "Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down with his counselors to discuss whether his army of 10,000 could defeat the 20,000 soldiers marching against him? ³² And if he can't, he will send a delegation to discuss terms of peace while the enemy is still far away. ³³ So you cannot become my disciple without giving up everything you own.

Matthew 16:24–26 (NLT) ²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. ²⁵ If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. ²⁶ And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?

Matthew 19:16-24 (NLT) The Rich Man

¹⁶ Someone came to Jesus with this question: "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?"

¹⁷ "Why ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. But to answer your question—if you want to receive eternal life, keep the commandments." ¹⁸ "Which ones?" the man asked. And Jesus replied: "'You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. ¹⁹ Honor your father and mother. Love your neighbor as yourself." ²⁰ "I've obeyed all these commandments," the young man replied. "What else must I do?" ²¹ Jesus told him, "If you want to be perfect, go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." ²² But when the young man heard this, he went away sad, for he had many possessions. ²³ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is very hard for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. ²⁴ I'll say it again—it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!"

Matthew 7:21–23 (NLT) *True Disciples*

²¹ "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. ²² On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.' ²³ But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws.'

How Can They Hear Unless Someone Tells Them?

Romans 10:9–17 (NLT) ⁹ If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. ¹¹ As the Scriptures tell us, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced." ¹² Jew and Gentile are the same in this respect. They have the same Lord, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³ For "Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved." ¹⁴ But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? ¹⁵ And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, "How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!" ¹⁶ But not everyone welcomes the Good News, for Isaiah the prophet said, "LORD, who has believed our message?" ¹⁷ So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ.

- ⇒ In the United States 16 million have not heard the good news about salvation in Jesus
- ⇒ In the world 3-3.6 billion have not heard the good news
- ⇒ Many need to hear it again, more clearly, and from people around them.
- ⇒ 30 million will die this year without hearing the message
- 1. Be an Example (Witness) with Your Life

Be salt and light, a city on a hill, know God, find freedom, grow personally discover your purpose, make a difference, be fruitful.

2. Love Them, Ask Questions

Honor people, value them, spend time listening well, notice when there is need, and succeed in every single interaction, build relationships and friendships, and be real and compassionate, not fake or religious or overbearing.

3. Give To Them

Give service, time, food, gifts, go to them, offer prayer, invite them to events, and invite them to connect with church family.

4. Share By The Power and Leading of The Holy Spirit

Be filled with the Holy Spirit, welcome the Holy Spirit into each day & moment, pray for them, maybe use spiritual gifts to minister to them, and continue to pray and fast for them.

5. Share Scripture & God's Perspective

Memorize, reference, handout, look it up and give later.

6. Share Your Experiences

Share what you've experienced God Do -Your rescue story, your salvation, iconic events, ans routine things

7. Lock Onto the "Big Three"

- a. God Loves You he is a good father
- b. He paid for your sin
- c. We have access to abundant life, and eternal life

Knowing God, Salvation, or Spiritual Birth, as Explained in The Roman Road To Salvation

- Romans 3:23 (NLT) ²³ For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.
- Romans 6:23 (NLT) ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Romans 5:8 (NLT) ⁸ But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.
- Romans 10:9–10 (NLT) ⁹ If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.
- Romans 10:13 (NLT) ¹³ For "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
- **John 3:16 (NLT)** ¹⁶ "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.
- **2 Peter 3:9 (NLT)** ⁹ The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.

"Dear God,

I confess that I am a sinner and that I need your forgiveness.

I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that He died on the cross for my sins, and that He rose from the dead on the third day.

I ask you to forgive me of my sins and to come into my life as my Lord and Savior.

I give my life to you, and I ask for your guidance and strength to live for you from this day forward. Thank you for your love and mercy. In Jesus' name, Amen"

Prayer

Lord, Would You show me how?

Lord, Show me where?

Lord, Would You show me who? And please show me people around me as I walk through my day?

Lord, Would you anoint me by the Holy Spirit to walk in your power?