

## Sermon Guide and Discussion Questions

### The Church's Mission – Matthew 28:16-20

#### Sermon Outline

1. Introduction – illustration of Moravian Missions
2. What We Do
3. How We Do It
4. Why We Do It
5. Conclusion – the church must take the gospel message to the nations

#### Scripture Passages Referenced

- Galatians 3:27 - For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- John 14:15 - If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:3 - For this is the will of God, you sanctification...
- Matthew 20:28 - the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many
- Daniel 7:13-14 - And behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him...
- Matthew 1:23 - Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel.

#### Discussion Questions

- Why is it important that we are crystal clear about the mission of the church?
- What are some various activities you have heard people say the church must do?
- What is a disciple? Who are to be disciples?
- Does the church's mission of making disciples of all nations prohibit individual Christians from being involved in various philanthropic activities? Why or why not?
- Why do we need to be reminded that the church is to go and not stay put?
- What are some specific ways you can be involved in the church's mission of making disciples of all nations?
- How does baptism help us accomplish the mission of making disciples?
- What does it mean to teach people to observe everything Christ has command us?
- Why is it important to remember that we teach people both doctrine and ethics?
- What are some specific ways that you can grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ?
- How can you be intentional about discipling others in the church and in the community?
- How does the authority of the risen Christ motivate us to go and make disciples?
- What is the correlation between Christ's authority and the authority given to the church in her mission?
- How does the presence of Christ give us courage and strength in seeking to accomplish this mission?
- How can this sermon impact your prayer life for both yourself individually and for this church?