

## **Day 1: The Authority Behind the Mission**

**Reading:** Matthew 28:16-20

**Devotional:** Before Jesus commissioned His disciples, He reminded them of His authority. Notice that some doubted even in His presence, yet He still called them. Your inadequacy doesn't disqualify you from God's mission. The Christian life doesn't begin with your ability but with Christ's authority. When you feel unprepared or insufficient, remember that Jesus has all authority in heaven and on earth. Your confidence rests not in your skills but in His power working through you. Prayer realigns your heart with this truth—it's never about you. Today, acknowledge where you've relied on your own strength rather than His authority, and surrender those areas to Him.

**Reflection:** What areas of ministry or witness have you avoided because you felt inadequate?

## **Day 2: Repentance as a Lifestyle**

**Reading:** 2 Corinthians 7:9-11; 1 John 1:8-9

**Devotional:** Tim Keller wisely noted that repentance isn't merely the door into Christian life—it is the Christian life itself. Repentance must be constant because we continually fall short. When churches or individuals face challenges, the natural response is self-protection and inward focus. But God calls us to daily repentance, turning from self-centeredness back to Him. Repentance brings fresh direction and renewed passion for Jesus. It moves us from protective postures to humble dependence. Today, examine your heart honestly. Where have you become self-focused? Where has fear made you retreat inward? Confession opens the door to restoration and outward-focused living.

**Reflection:** What specific area of your life needs repentance today? How has self-protection hindered your witness?

## **Day 3: Noticing Divine Appointments**

**Reading:** Acts 8:26-40

**Devotional:** Philip didn't create an opportunity to share the gospel—he noticed the one God placed before him. Most people God wants you to impact are already in your life: at work, school, home, or in your neighborhood. The challenge isn't manufacturing encounters but awakening to see them. Jesus assumes His followers will live on mission wherever they already are. This requires shifting from "me-centered" thinking to "Lord, help me notice" awareness. You don't need to travel across the world; you need to open your eyes to your everyday world. Today, pray specifically: "Lord, who have You placed on my heart? Help me see them and give me courage to act."

**Reflection:** Who has God consistently brought to mind lately? What faithful next step can you take toward them?

## **Day 4: Movement Defines Discipleship**

**Reading:** James 2:14-26; Luke 9:23-24

**Devotional:** Being a Christian always requires movement—daily steps with Jesus into uncomfortable territory. Faith without works is dead because genuine faith propels us forward. The Great Commission isn't a complicated strategy; it's lived one person at a time, one

conversation at a time, one act of service at a time. Your next step might be to start a conversation, offer encouragement, pray with someone, or share your testimony. God asks only for your next faithful step; He handles the results. When you take that step despite fear or inadequacy, you participate in the extraordinary work of the gospel. Remember: feelings are just feelings. Move beyond them in obedience.

**Reflection:** What is the next faithful step God is asking you to take? What fear is holding you back?

### **Day 5: Never Alone in the Mission**

**Reading:** Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5-6

**Devotional:** Jesus concludes the Great Commission with a promise: "I am with you always, to the end of the age." You are never alone in this mission. As you pray for those God places on your heart, as you step out in faith despite doubts, as you share the gospel imperfectly—He walks beside you. His presence transforms ordinary believers into participants in extraordinary kingdom work. Unity in the church flows from this shared dependence on Christ's presence. When we individually trust His companionship, we collectively move forward together. Today, rest in this promise. Let it dispel your fears and empower your witness. The results belong to Him; the obedience belongs to you.

**Reflection:** How does knowing Christ is always with you change your approach to evangelism? How can you encourage others in the mission?

**Challenge for the Week:** Obtain a copy of "Pray and Go" and commit to the 30-day challenge. Each day, pray for someone specific God places on your heart, and ask Him for opportunities to serve, encourage, or share the gospel with them.