



GRACE FOR EVANGELISM

MATTHEW 4:18-22

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OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.



2023 - OUR YEAR OF GREAT GRACE



Acts 4:33 (ESV)

And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.





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INTRODUCTION

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18 And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. 19 And he saith unto them, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. 20 And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. 21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. 22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him



Who were the brethren:

- (1) They had been disciples of John. (John 1:35-42; Luke 5:3)
- (2) They were fishers.
 - (a) They were *poor men*
 - (b) They were *unlearned men*



What were the brethren doing?

- (1) They were men of business
- (2) They were very diligent





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1 Corinthians 1:26

“Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.”



John 15:16

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit”



FOLLOW ME

(A) A CALL TO A
RELATIONSHIP
WITH JESUS

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Mark 3:13-14

“Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach”



Acts 4:13

“Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus”



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(B) A CALL TO
CO-PARTNER
WITH JESUS

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(C) A CALL TO
HAVE CONFIDENCE
IN JESUS

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Matthew 4:20

20 And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.



Psalm 20:7

“Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.”



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(D) A CALL TO
LEAVE "THINGS"
BEHIND

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Matthew 4:20

20 And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.



Matthew 4:22

22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him



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(E) A CALL TO
SELF-DENIAL

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Philippians 2:5

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus”



Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, if any man will come after me, let *him deny himself*, and take up his cross, and follow me



Matthew 19:28, 29

“We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?”

Jesus’s response: “The follower of Jesus will inherit everything hundredfold and eternal life”





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John 6:60-71

Jesus asked His disciples, “Do you also want to go away?” But Simon Peter answered, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.



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(A) HE PREPARES
THE VESSEL

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Isaiah 6:6-8

5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. 6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: 7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. 8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me



2 Timothy 2:21

“If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.”



Romans 12:1-2

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”



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(B) GIVING PURPOSE
TO OUR LIVES

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Acts 26:19

“So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven”



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(C) BUILDING
CHRIST-LIKE
CHARACTER

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Galatians 5:16-22

When we walk in the Spirit we will “not gratify the desires of the flesh” but rather will exhibit “love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control”



2 Peter 1:5-9

add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.



Ephesians 5:2

“walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us”



1 Corinthians 13:4-7

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”



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(D) EMPOWERING BY
THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Matthew 28:19-20

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”



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(A) FIND WHERE
THE PEOPLE ARE

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(B) BAIT THE HOOK/
CAST THE NET

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(C) FISHING
FOR PEOPLE REQUIRES
PERSISTENCE

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(D) CATCH THEM
BEFORE YOU TRY TO
CLEAN THEM

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(E) FOCUS ON CASTING
THE NET NOT HOW
MANY FISH YOU
CATCH

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1 Corinthians 3:7-8

"So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor."



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(F) ASK PEOPLE TO
MAKE A DECISION

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Acts 2:40-41

“*Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.*” Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about *three thousand* were added to their number that day.”





RECEIVING THE GRACE THROUGH PRAYER

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CONCLUSION

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