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Mission To The World

Sermon Single | Matthew 28:18-20

INTRODUCTION

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy toured NASA and met a janitor carrying a mop. When the president asked him what he did there, the man replied, “I’m helping put a man on the moon.” That janitor understood that his role, no matter how small it seemed, was part of a mission far greater than himself. He saw beyond his immediate task to the larger, history-changing vision.

In the same way, the Bible tells us that if you have been saved and made new by Christ, you are part of something much bigger than you realize. You have a purpose and a place in the mission of God. We are not just church members or spiritual consumers; we are participants in God’s plan to redeem a broken world. The question is, why do we so often live as if that is untrue?

KEY POINTS

1. Jesus Gave Us a Mission to Fulfill

In His final moments on earth, Jesus gathered His disciples to give them their marching orders. The Great Commission is not a great suggestion; it is a great expectation for every follower of Christ. The command to “go and make disciples” is not just for pastors or missionaries. It is for students, parents, teachers, and business leaders. The original language implies this happens “as you are going.” This means your mission field is your classroom, your office, your neighborhood, and your home. Our primary focus should be making disciples, people who follow Jesus and are growing to become like Him, as we live our daily lives.

2. Jesus Saved Us For a Mission to Accomplish

Many Christians focus only on what they have been saved from: sin, shame, and hopelessness. While that is worth celebrating, we must also recognize what we have been saved for. Salvation is not the finish line; it is the starting line. Ephesians 2:10 says we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works that He prepared for us to do. God has a divine to-do list with your name on it. You were not redeemed to remain idle. You were rescued to respond. God takes imperfect people and mobilizes us on mission for His glory.

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3. Jesus Modeled a Mission of Service

On the night before His crucifixion, Jesus modeled the heart of the mission. Seeing that none of the disciples were willing to perform the lowly task of washing feet, He took a towel and basin and washed their feet one by one. He washed the feet of Peter, who would deny Him, and Judas, who would betray Him. Jesus showed us that the pathway to Kingdom influence is paved with towels, not titles. He turned the definition of greatness upside down, teaching us that true leadership is service. If Jesus was not above serving others, then neither are we.

You never know what God will do with your simple obedience. In the 1930s, a farmer named Albert McMakin began giving young people rides to a revival. He was not a preacher, just a faithful man who cared. One night, a hesitant teenage farm boy accepted his invitation, heard the gospel, and surrendered his life to Jesus. That teenager was Billy Graham, who went on to preach to more people than anyone in history. Your obedience matters.

Many Christians have said yes to salvation but have never fully stepped into the room where the mission is happening. They are saved but not engaged in the work. Jesus did not just save us from something; He saved us for something. He did not call us to come and sit; He mobilizes us to go and serve. Ministry begins where pride ends. Look at your burdens, gifts, and story. What needs are present around you? Take up the towel, pick up the basin, and start washing feet.

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What are some practical ways you can be more intentional about making disciples “as you are going” in your daily routines this week?
2. Considering your unique gifts, story, and passions, what “good works” do you believe God has prepared for you to do?
3. In what specific way can you model the humble service of Jesus by “washing the feet” of someone in your life, choosing to serve rather than seek status?
