



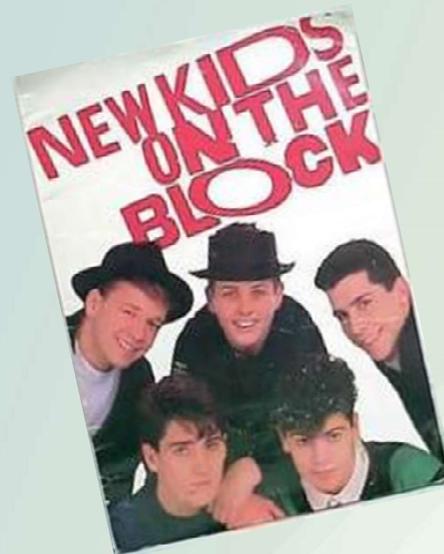
Acts 2- Cultural Diversity

Galatians 3:28

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28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Racism Is Not Something You Cancel





**Racism Is Something You
Repent
From**

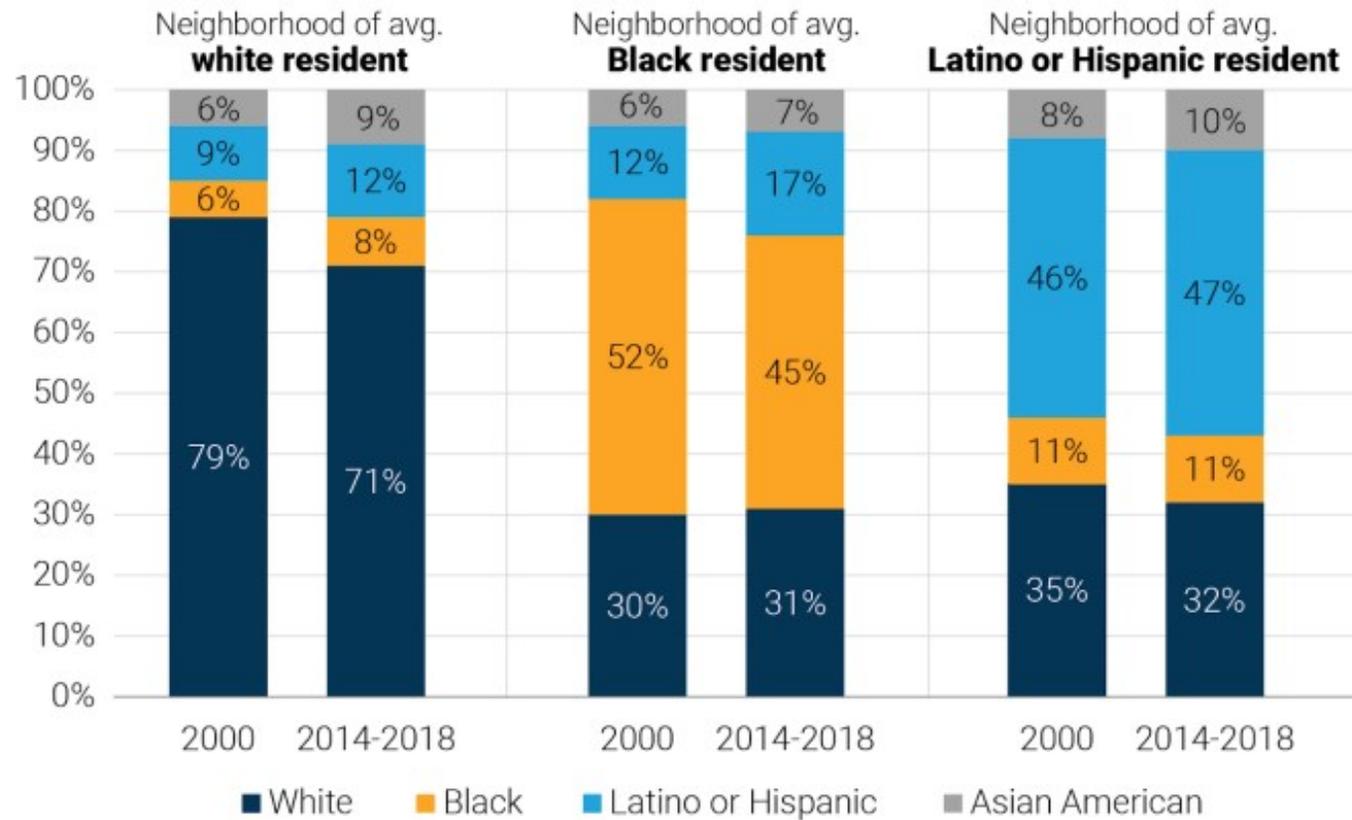


My dream would be a multicultural society, one that is diverse and where every man, woman and child are treated equally. I dream of a world where all people of all races work together in harmony.

— *Nelson Mandela* —

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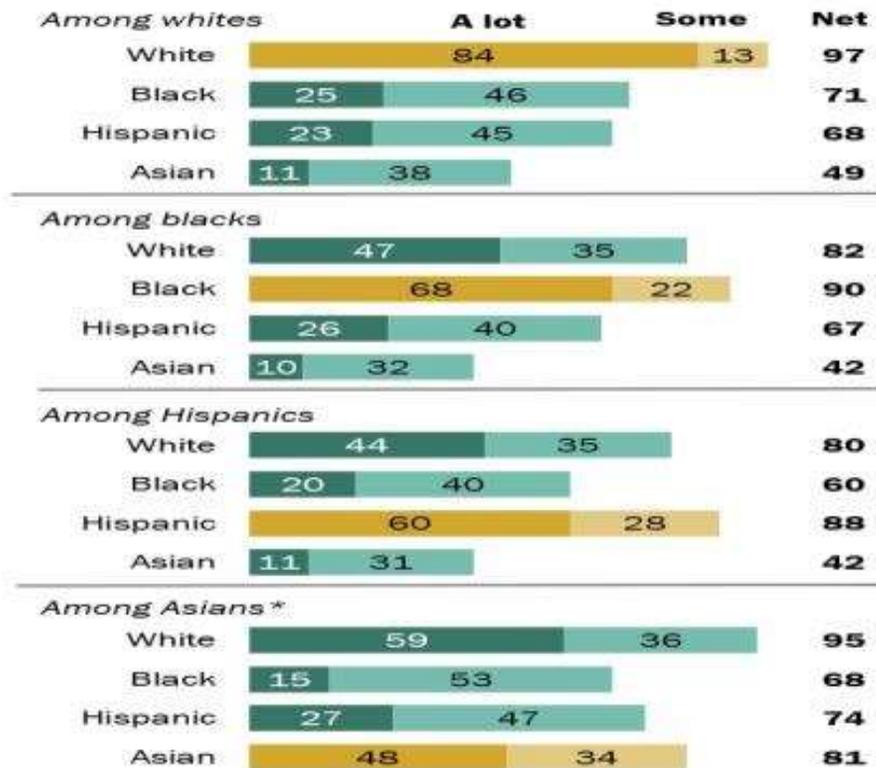
Figure 2. Race-ethnic makeups of average neighborhoods of different groups in metro areas 2000 and 2014-2018



Source: William H. Frey analysis of 2000 Census and 2014-2018 multiyear American Community Survey.

About one-in-four whites have a lot of daily interaction with blacks, Hispanics

% among each group saying they have ___ interaction in their daily life with people who are ...



*Asians were interviewed in English only.

Note: Figures may not add to subtotals due to rounding. Whites, blacks and Asians include those who report being only one race and are non-Hispanic. Hispanics are of any race.

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Jan. 22-Feb. 5, 2019.

"Americans See Advantages and Challenges in Country's Growing Racial and Ethnic Diversity"

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Acts 2:42-47

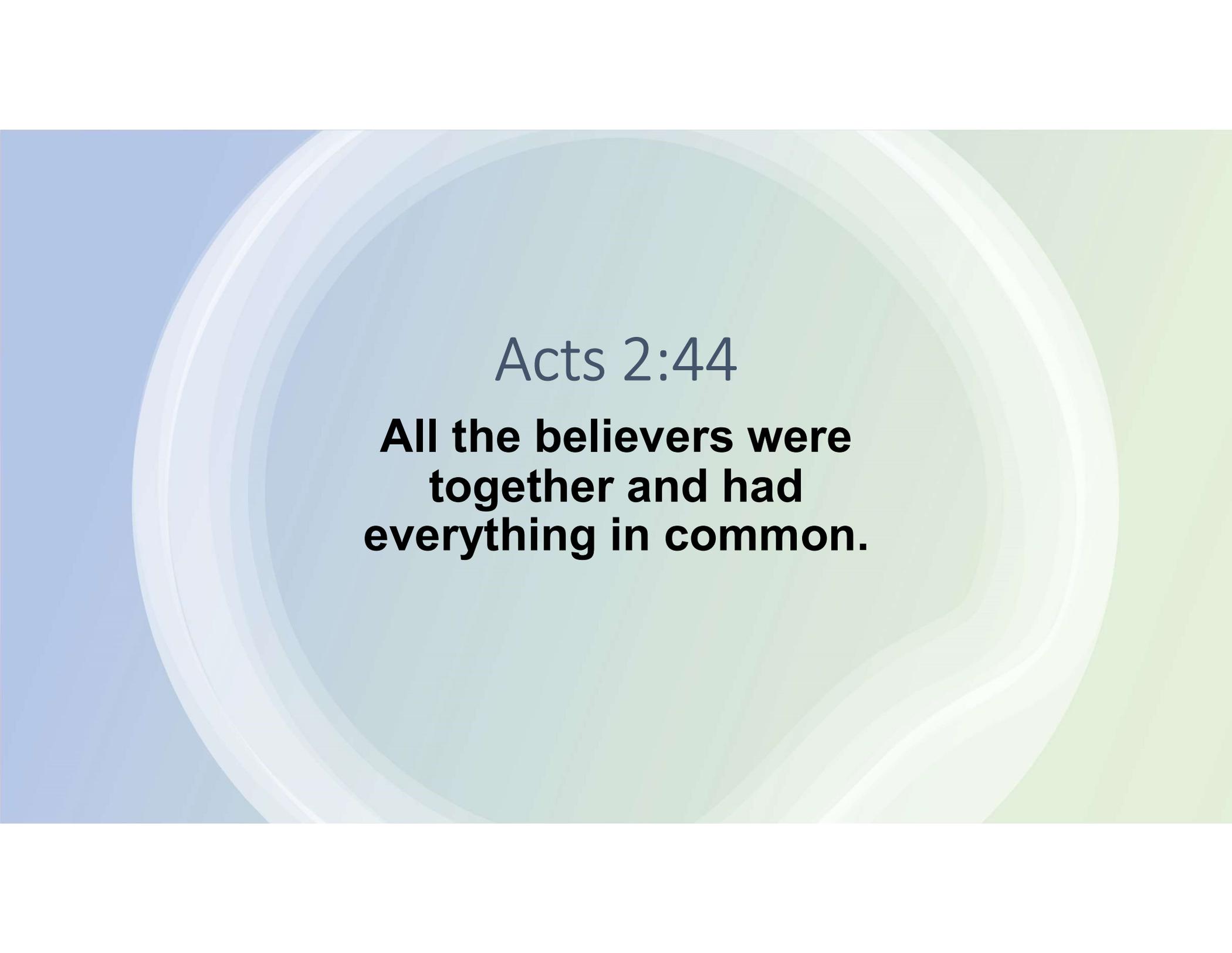
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The Fellowship of the Believers

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

Acts 2:42-47 Cont.

46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

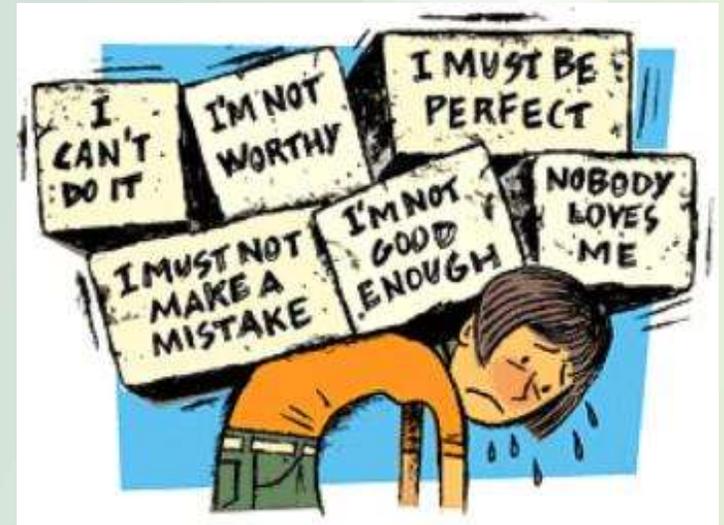


Acts 2:44

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Social Benefits

Manchester Univ in Australia noted in an article that Neighborhoods with less diversity created poorer mental health, high blood pressure, increased smoking, and lower self-esteem.



Social Benefits

Conversely, Ethnically diverse neighborhoods benefited from decreased racism, discrimination, more social unity, and stronger social support networks.



Social Benefits Acts 2

Environment - Children



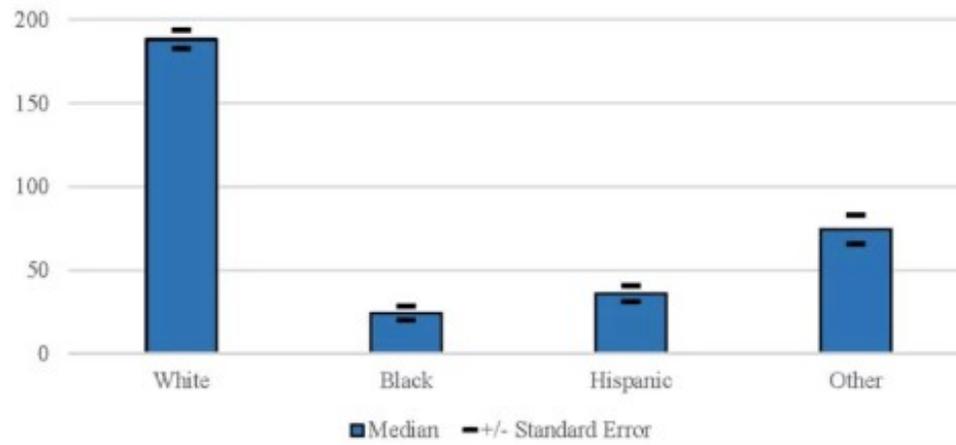
Acts 2:45 –Diversity Economics

*They sold property and possessions to give
to anyone who had need.*

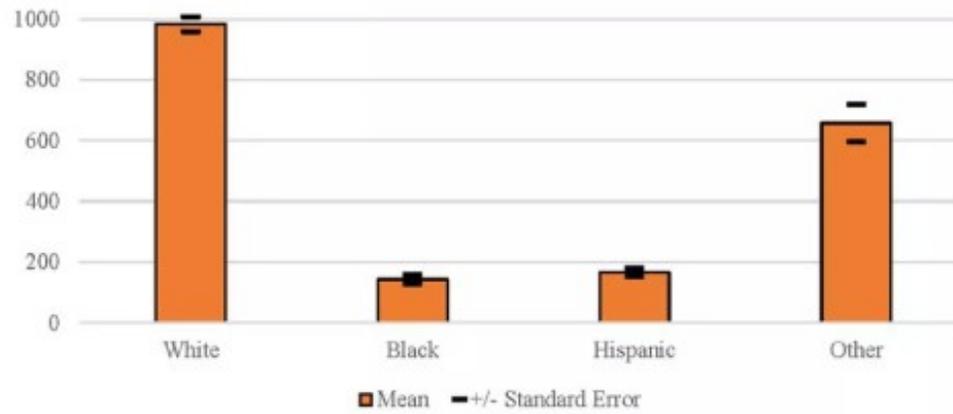
Diversity Economics

Studies have shown that while bringing people from many different backgrounds has positive effects it can also create challenges where income and opportunities decrease as there are so many income inequalities among many racial backgrounds

Median Net Worth



Mean Net Worth



Diversity Economics. Cont

As a Church coming together bringing people of all nations to Jesus and sharing our lives gives us who are more fortunate an opportunity to help bridge those gaps and help those in need. Consider Hope Worldwide



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Acts 2:46-47 – Diversity Is Not *Enough*

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Acts 2:46-47 – Diversity Is Not *Enough*

“ Seeking diverse friendship can be helped or hindered by the characteristics of the surrounding community. “ Dr. Elizabeth Braun

Dr. H Elizabeth Braun studied diversity and noted in her data were consistent with the hypothesis that valuing diversity influences friendship choices the most when the characteristics of the community promote this: they showed that greater racial diversity within a community amplified the effect of diversity beliefs on friendship choices.

Bringing people together just for the fun of it **does not** create ethnic unity.

This shows that the kind of community you bring people into matters. With Jesus as the backbone of our ministry, we can help people with a focus of unity under the Cross

Matthew 28:19-20
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19 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, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

