

Sermon Title: Get Out of the Stands

Series: Game Plan

Passages: Matthew 28: 18-20; Matthew 22:34-40; Ephesians 4:11-16

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A *game plan* is a carefully thought-out strategy or course of action. In sports it's the overall strategy of a team for winning a game.

Matthew 28:18-20 (CSB)

¹⁸Jesus came near and said to them, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth.

¹⁹Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

²⁰teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 22:34-40 (CSB)

- ³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they came together.
- ³⁵And one of them, an expert in the law, asked a question to test him:
- ³⁶"Teacher, which command in the law is the greatest?"
- ³⁷He said to him, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.
- ³⁸This is the greatest and most important command.
- ³⁹The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.
- ⁴⁰All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."

Our Mission: We Glorify God by Helping People Faithfully Follow Jesus

Our Vision: Everyone at FBC Loganville is faithfully following Jesus and intentionally leading others to Jesus for the sake of the Gospel.

Ephesians 4:11–16 (CSB)

- ¹¹And he himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,
- ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ,
- ¹³until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness.
- ¹⁴Then we will no longer be little children, tossed by the waves and blown around by every wind of teaching, by human cunning with cleverness in the techniques of deceit.
- ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, let us grow in every way into him who is the head—Christ.
- ¹⁶From him the whole body, fitted and knit together by every supporting ligament, promotes the growth of the body for building itself up in love by the proper working of each individual part.

The greatest threat to the church today isn't what *is happening outside* of the church, but that *discipleship isn't happening inside* the church.

Ephesians 4:20-24 (CSB)

- ²⁰But that is not how you came to know Christ,
- ²¹assuming you heard about him and were taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus,
- ²²to take off your former way of life, the old self that is corrupted by deceitful desires,
- ²³to be renewed in the spirit of your minds,
- ²⁴and to put on the new self, the one created according to God's likeness in righteousness and purity of the truth.

Galatians 2:20 (CSB)

²⁰I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

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