**The Great Commission Church**

Matthew 28:19–20

**Introduction**

🕮 Rev 3:17; 2:4; 3:15–16; 2:5; Isa 48:11; Matt 5:14; John 17:1; Acts 6:7; 9:31; 12:24; 19:20; Rev 5:9

**I. The Plan of God**

🕮 Acts 8:1

**A. The Main Goal (v. 19)**

🞎 “The students of a teacher were characterized by complete submission to the authority of the teacher, as well as by a devotion to him which was to surpass devotion to father or mother and which displayed itself in service to the teacher… After the strenuous studies the student was ordained through the laying on of hands and received the right to be called Rabbi. He then had the responsibility to pass on that which he had learned from his teacher and to make disciples.”

**B. The Means (vv. 19–20)**

**1. Going (v. 19a)**

🞎 “The first requirement makes clear that the church is not to wait for the world to come to its doors but that it is to go to the world.” ~ John MacArthur

**2. Baptizing (v. 19b)**

**3. Teaching (v. 20)**

🕮 John 8:31

**II. The Passion of God’s People**

🕮 John 14:15; 2 Cor 5:14–15; Matt 6:24

🞎 “There can be little doubt that the main motive for evangelism was a theological one. These men did not spread their message because it was advisable for them to do so, nor because it was the socially responsible thing to do. They did not do it primarily for humanitarian or utilitarian reasons. ***They did it because of the overwhelming experience of the love of God which they had received through Jesus Christ***.” ~ Michael Green

**Conclusion**

**1. Embrace God’s plan for your life and our church**

🕮 Matt 28:19–20

**2. Repent from your sin/worldliness in order to restore your first love for Christ**

🕮 Rev 2:5

**3. Pray and Proclaim the Good News**

🕮 Rom 10:1; 1 Pet 2:9