



The King's Mission

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Brainstorm a list of reasons people go to church and functions of the church, both appropriate and off base. Why does church have such a broad appeal to people?

The world needs to know who Jesus really is and what the benefits are of putting faith in Him. Jesus gave us—His church—the responsibility to make those truths known. God could have chosen to work in the world independent of His people, yet He chose to engage us in accomplishing His will. As the church, we represent God to people who need to know and understand Him. The potential impact of obedience to that calling is world-changing. This study will challenge you to allow Jesus to work through you as you “go and make disciples.”

READ MATTHEW 28:16-18.

What do you think it means to have all authority “in heaven and on earth”?

What does the authority of Jesus do to the confidence level of His disciples?

Jesus told His disciples He had received all authority “in heaven and on earth.” Jesus’ resurrection validated His teachings and deeds and proved to the disciples all authority over everything rested with Him. Then the disciples knew the true nature of Christ. Hundreds of years before the birth of Jesus, Daniel had prophesied that the Messiah would be given “authority to rule, and glory, and a kingdom; so that those of every people, nation, and language should serve Him” (Dan. 7:14). The scope of His authority encompasses everything in heaven and on earth.

Why is it important that we understand the authority of Jesus?

How does this truth impact our mission?

To carry out the Great Commission Jesus was about to give, the disciples had to clarify their belief about Him. They had to believe deeply that this One standing resurrected before them was more than just a man. He truly was God in flesh, God in power, and God in authority. As Jesus’ disciples today, we have been given the same command of discipleship, and understanding and believing in the authority of Jesus must precede our obedience.

READ MATTHEW 28:19-20.

Let’s take a minute to reflect upon the magnitude of this passage. After each of the following, discuss 1) what each command means, 2) how the church can follow, and 3) what role you personally have in obeying: go; make disciples; baptize them; teach them; remember His presence.

In which of these five areas are you most involved?

In which area would you like to get more involved?

Why is it important for every believer to get involved in the Great Commission?

What happens when you don’t own your part of the effort?