

WHY

I BELIEVE



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SHARING THE GOOD NEWS IN A LANGUAGE THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND



“ Then Jesus came to them and said, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.’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.’ ”

MATTHEW 28:18-20 (NIV)

1. The _____ of the Great Commission

“ All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.”

MATTHEW 28:18B (NIV)

Jesus has all _____ .

“ Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

ACTS 2:36 (NIV)

“ ²¹ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.”

EPHESIANS 1:20-23 (NIV)

Christ _____ us.

“ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

ACTS 1:8 (NIV)

Christ _____ us.

“ His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.”

2 PETER 1:3 (NIV)

2. The _____ of the Great Commission

“ 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.”

MATTHEW 28:19-20A (NIV)

v19 _____ is our response to his saving work.

v20a _____ is our role in his sanctifying work.

3. The _____ of the Great Commission

“ And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

MATTHEW 28:20B (NIV)

“ For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

EPHESIANS 2:10 (NIV)

APPLICATION:

So how do we answer the question why am I here? What is my purpose?

- As Christians, we are here to glorify God. *“All authority”*.
- Our purpose is to *“Go”* and share the love of God to a lost world.

How do we share the good news in a language that people understand?

- Recognize the power of the Lord.
- Realize the plan from the Lord.
- Remember the promise of the Lord.

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