

Sermon Outline

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August 23, 2026

Baptism Sunday: “Baptizing Them in the Name”
Pastor Corey Kugle

Matthew 28:18-20

Introduction

1. The Authority of Jesus (v. 18)

A. All authority in the entire universe (Dan. 7:14)

B. Given by God the Father

2. The Call/Command of Jesus (vv. 19-20a)

A. Make disciples of all nations

i. Go(ing) (v. 19)

1. Evangelism books: *Organic Outreach for Ordinary People* – Kevin Harney, *Honest Evangelism* – Rico Tice, *Stay Salt* – Rebecca Manley Pippert

ii. Baptizing (v. 19)

1. The pattern in Acts: hear (the gospel), believe, baptism (Acts 2:41; 8:12)

2. Baptism does not save, but depicts the believer's union with Christ through faith (Rom. 6:3-5; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Col. 2:12)
3. "in/into the name" – a declaration of one's allegiance and commitment to the One True God
4. An act of obedience

iii. Teaching (v. 20a)

1. Not just for information, but to obey all that Jesus commanded
2. We cannot pick and choose what to teach or what to obey ("*everything*")

3. **The Abiding Presence of Jesus** (v. 20b)

A. He *is* with us (Matt. 1:22-23; Jn. 13-17)

B. He is with us to the very end

What's Next?

- August 30, "*Giving with a Right Heart*" – Matthew 6:1-4, Pastor Corey Kugle
- September 6, "*Praying with a Right Heart*" – Matthew 6:5-8, Pastor Kris Neider