

# GREAT COMMISSION

MATTHEW 28:16-20

ACTS 1:1-8

# Introduction

According to the N.T., evangelism is just preaching the gospel, the evangel. Evangelizing, therefore is not simply a matter of teaching, and instructing, and imparting information to the mind. There is more to it than that. Evangelism includes the endeavor to elicit a response to the truth taught. It is communication with a view to conversion. It is a matter, not merely of informing, but also of inviting.

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Jesus gave the command to the disciples before his ascension “ 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, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of age.” Matthew 28:19-20

# Why should we share the good news?

- A. Because God loves the World John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:8-9
- B. Great commandment Matt. 23:45
- C. All are sinful and need salvation

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D. Jesus is the only way to salvation Acts 4:12

E. Great commission Matt. 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18; Luke 24:45-49; John 20:21-23 and Acts 1:1-8

F. God is counting on us.

# When should we share the good news?

Jesus said as you go, which means as you do your daily activities you share the good news.

Whereever we are, we should be sharing the Gospel by our words, works and service.

# Where should we share the good news?

In Acts 1:8 Jesus said “ 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.”

# What is the content of good news?

Good news has the following content:

- A. Gospel event. Birth, death and resurrection
- B. Gospel witnesses. Eye witness account
- C. Gospel Message. How one is saved
- D. Gospel promises. Forgiveness of sins
- E. Gospel demands. Repentance.



# How should we share the good news?

We should have Godly walk. Live as Christ lived. Holiness is important.

Acts of service. Be sensitive to peoples' need.

We should share through the word of God.

# Conclusion

I believe evangelism is one of the most important ministry of the Church and every believer. Every believer may not have the gift of evangelism but every one can learn to witness for Christ. If you are a believer, then you are a witness of good news. Be a faithful witness. Testify what God has done for you.

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Love for God, love for people, great commission and sinful condition of the human race should motivate us to share the good news with all those who have not heard the gospel. Jesus is the only way for salvation. Christ has commanded us to be His witnesses. Let us be faithful to the **GREAT COMMISSION.**