

# The Great Commission

*In the same way, older women are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not slaves to excessive drinking. They are to teach what is good, so that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands and to love their children, to be self-controlled, pure, workers at home, kind, and in submission to their husbands, so that God's word will not be slandered.-Titus 2:3-5 CSB*

*The eleven disciples traveled to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but some doubted. Jesus came near and said to them, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."-Matthew 28:16-20 CSB*

(16)-Disciples were obedient to Jesus by faith

(17)-Even when they saw Jesus and began to worship, some still doubted

(18)-If Jesus has all authority, satan has none

(19)-Go make disciples (this a command) in all nations, baptizing them

(20 a.)-Put into practice all that has been taught. Be a doer of the word!

(20 b.)-Remember he is with us till then end (even if we can't feel that he is near, he never left)

## Doubt

Doubted (doubt)→distazo~greek~pronounced like dis-tad-zo→definition: waver in opinion, have cake and eat it too-HELPS Concordance-

This same kind of doubt happened earlier in Matthew 14:22-32

*Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After dismissing the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. Well into the night, he was there alone. Meanwhile, the boat was already some distance from land, battered by the waves, because the wind was against them. Jesus came toward them walking on the sea very early in the morning. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified. "It's a ghost!" they said, and they cried out in fear. Immediately Jesus spoke to them. "Have courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you," Peter answered him, "command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." And climbing out of the boat, Peter started walking on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the strength of the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand, caught hold of him, and said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those in the boat worshiped him and said, "Truly you are the Son of God."*

- Peter yells to Jesus “If it’s you command me to come”
- Lord command Peter to come
- Peter started walking and focused on the winds & waves (circumstances) instead of Jesus and began to get scared, have doubt, fear, and anxiety
- Peter calls out to the Lord for safety
- Lord asks, “Why do you have so little faith?” or in other words “Why did you doubt me?”
- Peter got into the boat and the wind ceased & they began to worship Jesus because they realized them to be the Son of God

In both Matthew 14 & 28 there was doubt which is the absence of faith and the presence of fear. When we focus on the goodness of God or in other words, when we seek Jesus through the waves and wind we know that he will never leave us nor forsake us.

### **All (Repeated 3x in KJV)**

1. All power is given to Jesus
2. Teach all nations (disciple everyone)
3. Observe all things taught (be a doer of the word)

If all authority has been given to Jesus, God in flesh, how much authority does satan have over us? NONE. There is no such thing as 110%

God 100%

satan 0%

Through baptism we have been given the Holy Spirit, therefore we have authority just as Jesus does. We are children of God.

### **Making Disciples**

#### **How?**

- Preach the gospel (Mark 16:15)
- Share your testimony (Acts 1:8)
- Passing on the tools you’ve been taught (Romans 10:14-15)

#### **Why?**

- Why would you want to hold all this goodness in? If you do it because of fear of what others may think? Doubt? (John 15:16)
- We are each an essential part of God’s body (Ephesians 4:16)
- We are the example for future generations
- Sometimes we just need a helping hand

## **All Nations**

Everyone means everyone! Jesus will leave the 99 to get the one.

## **Observe All Teachings Of Jesus**

Even the ones that may cause you to change something in your life or make you uncomfortable

Not everything I read in the bible makes me hop in the air for joy, but I am called to obedient because I know God's plan is perfect and there is a reason it is written.

Growing pains aren't fun. But we are called to be obedient and trials and tribulations produce Christ-Like character

## **Remember**

Jesus is like, HEY THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT!!!

Jesus knew there were hard times coming but he's reminding us that he will never leave us nor forsake us.

Holy Spirit is in us.

Therefore we carry the same authority

Talk about Mission and Titus 2

## **Discussion Questions**

- Has there been a time you have doubted God and why?
- How can we encourage one another to make disciples?
- What is something you should put into practice from what Jesus has taught? \*Remember, imperfect progress is still progress!\*
- Do you walk with authority?
- Are we as women, leading by example? \*You don't have to be in leadership at church to lead\*