

Mission | Reaching Near & Far With The Gospel |Matthew 28:18-20 & Acts 1:1-10

- 1. In The Great Commission, what does Jesus' claim to *"all authority in heaven and on earth"* mean for how we respond to His command? How do Jesus' words define both the identity and direction of the Church?
- 2. In what ways do we sometimes treat the Great Commission as optional in our personal or church life? What verbs (action words) do Jesus use in this command? What do these actions look like today?
- 3. In Acts 1, why do you think the disciples asked about restoring the kingdom to Israel? What does their question reveal about how they (mis)understood Jesus' mission? How do we sometimes filter God's call (individually and as a church family) through our own expectations, desires, or cultural assumptions?
- 4. How does Jesus redirect their focus in verse 7? What lesson does that teach us about trusting God's timing? What's the difference between speculating about God's plan and participating in it?
- 5. Why was it important for the disciples to wait for the Holy Spirit before launching into mission? In what ways does the promise of Acts 1:8a reassure us when the task/problem (Acts 1:8b) feels too big?
- 6. What does it mean to "receive power" from the Holy Spirit? How have you experienced this power in your own life or ministry? How can we rely more on the Spirit and less on human strength, charisma, or programs?
- 7. What's one step you can take this week to engage in Jesus' mission—locally or globally? How did the stories of Oscar, Gabit, Stephanie and The Farrows challenge or inspire you? What do you learn about discerning call from their examples?



What did you discover about God in this passage? What did you discover about people in this passage? How will you commit to obey this passage this week? With whom will you share what you have learned?

