



Discussion Notes

Adventure: Wherever Jesus Goes • Matthew 28:16–20

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Main Theme:

We read in this passage Jesus' instruction for His disciples to return to Galilee, which for many of them was the place where they first met Jesus and answered Jesus call to follow. It was back to basics for the disciples. While this passage might seem like marching orders for Christians we first have to appreciate Jesus claim to have authority over all things physical and spiritual. It is Jesus' authority that makes possible an invitation to live and serve people with great intention. Jesus has a work for us because He has authority over all things. This great commission is for you and I to make disciples, baptize, and teach.

Accessing the Sermon:

Podcast & Video: lwchurch.ca/podcasts/sermons

Engage:

- Read the text. At your initial reading, what stands out to you? Think about key themes, words, phrases, or people.
- How does reading this text through the eyes of Jesus and then the eyes of the disciples help with your understanding of what is happening?

Observe:

Part 1: Jesus Instructed His Disciples to leave Jerusalem and return to Galilee.

- Why was this important for the disciples, as Jesus prepared them to hear the Great Commission?

Part 2: This passage is all about the Jesus claiming His authority? His Authority is:

- Always Personal: Jesus says I have given you life and sustain your life. How does focusing on Jesus authority over our lives needed and helpful?

- Always a Possibility: Jesus performed a variety of miracles during His public ministry. Why do we need to continually remind ourselves of Jesus' authority over all things both physical and spiritual?
- Always a Pardon: Jesus promise to forgive and redeem those who come to Him. Why is it encouraging to remind ourselves Jesus can redirect, redeem and revive anything and anyone?
- Always with Us: What assurance should we have because of this promise that Jesus makes to us?

Part 3: Jesus instructs His disciples to:

Make Disciples:

- Jesus transfers trust and responsibility for discipling. What are the priorities and equipping we need to do this?

Baptize:

- Jesus invites us seeing the value of leading people to Him and to be baptized in water. Why does Jesus encourage water baptism for a new believer and this new community?

Teach:

- Jesus instructs us to help others think things through what being a Christ follower is. Which is someone who learns the doctrines of Scripture and the lifestyle that Jesus calls us to. What equipping do you need to do this?

Apply:

- What is your key take-away from this passage?
- How can you best prepare yourself to make disciples, baptize, and teach?
- Who is God asking you to invest in so that their relationship with Jesus can grow?
- Pray for each other.