

Genesis 12:1-3; 2 Corinthians 4:5-7; Matthew 28:16-20

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## Notes

### TODAY'S BIG IDEA

*As disciples of Jesus, we are commissioned to make disciples with Jesus in everyday life*

### Reflection Questions

What comfort do you receive in knowing that you are empowered with Jesus' presence and sent with Jesus' authority as you participate in God's mission?

What is revealed about God in that He chooses to partner with His people in order to carry out His redemptive mission in our world?

What are some of your preconceived notions about discipleship? What is a next step you can take to grow as a disciple and participate in God's mission?

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*Joining Jesus on His Mission: How to Be an Everyday Missionary* and *Joining Jesus*

*Show Me How: How to Disciple Everyday Missionaries* by Greg Finke

*Joining Jesus as a Family: How to Raise Your Children to Be Followers of Jesus*

by Greg & Susan Finke

*The Great Commissions: God's Call to Make Known the Gospel* by Steven E. King

*The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative* by Christopher J.H. Wright

**Memory Verse:** *"I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth."* - Isaiah 49:6b

**Next Week's Verses:** Isaiah 49:5-6; Romans 8:18-22; Mark 16:9-20

## Digging Deeper

For More Information



### Talk Topics

Our commission to make disciples is established in Jesus' proclamation that "all authority in heaven and on earth" has been given to Him. Why is this important?

What is a disciple? How are they made? Why should disciple-making be more than merely getting people to join the church membership rolls?

What is the significance of Word and Sacrament in disciple-making? How are the means of grace at the center of Jesus' Great Commission?

As a result of hearing today's message, what is one thing that God is calling me to believe or do for the sake of others?

### Joining Jesus on His Mission

Discuss these with your family or missional community this week.

- **SEEKING THE KINGDOM:** How did you see God at work in your life this week?
- **HEARING FROM JESUS:** What has God been teaching you in His Word?
- **TALKING WITH PEOPLE:** What kind of conversations are you having with your pre-Christian friends?
- **DOING GOOD:** What good can you do around here?
- **MINISTERING THROUGH PRAYER:** How can we help you in prayer?

### Further Study and Discussion throughout the week

This week take some time to read the following Scripture passages. What is Jesus revealing about Himself, His Kingdom, and His mission?

**Sunday** - Matthew 28:16-20

The Great Commission

**Monday** - Matthew 4:18-22

Commissioned to be Fishers of People

**Tuesday** - Mark 8:34-38

Commissioned to Embrace Your Cross

**Wednesday** - Matthew 5:14-16

Commissioned with Light to Glorify the Father

**Thursday** - Acts 8:26-39

Commissioned to Disciple Others

**Friday** - 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Commissioned with the Foolishness of the Cross

**Saturday**

*Review Scriptures in preparation for weekend worship*