
Prepared to Serve: Committed to Disciple Making

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To Be a Christian Is to Be on Mission

“... As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.” *John 20:21, NLT*

“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” *Matthew 28:19–20, NLT*

To Be on Mission is to be Active in Building the Kingdom of God
by Telling and Teaching Others About Jesus

There is The Sender: God

There is the Sent: Those Who Have Received the Grace of God

How Serious is God’s Command to Go?

“Then he said to the crowd, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.” *Luke 9:23–24, NLT*

To Be on Mission Is to Abandon My Own Mission for God’s
An Inconvenient Truth: We Are Called to Make Disciples, Not Converts

We Make Following Jesus Comfortable and Easy by Reducing the Expectations:
You Don’t Have to Do Anything Different. Just Believe

For New Believers:

Get Connected – Get Growing – Get Going

God Has Called All Believers to Be in Motion

We Need a Change of Heart and Focus

How Do I Get Started?

Change Your Personal Focus...

1. From Trying to Live A Consistent Christian Life to Being Transformed to Become More Like Christ
2. Make Sure You Are Connected and Growing in Christ
3. Focus on Moral Excellence

Commit to Disciple Making

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” *Acts 1:8, NLT*

Power Comes to Those Who by Faith, Step Out;
Not Those Who Seek to Be Comfortable

“Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, “We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth.” *John 1:45, NLT*

“You didn’t choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name.” *John 15:16, NLT*

Winning

Teaching

Modeling

Start Praying Now for Someone to Begin With

“You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.” *2 Timothy 2:2, NLT*