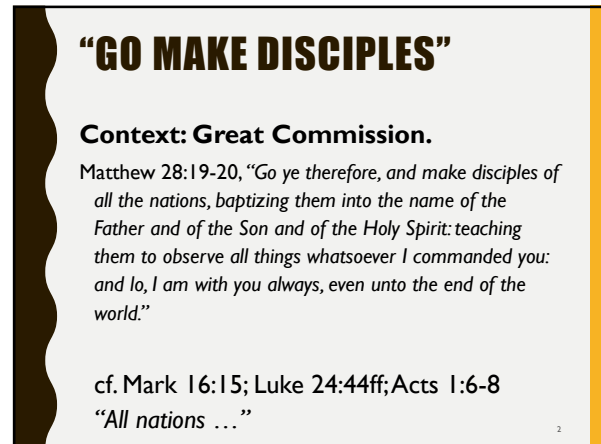
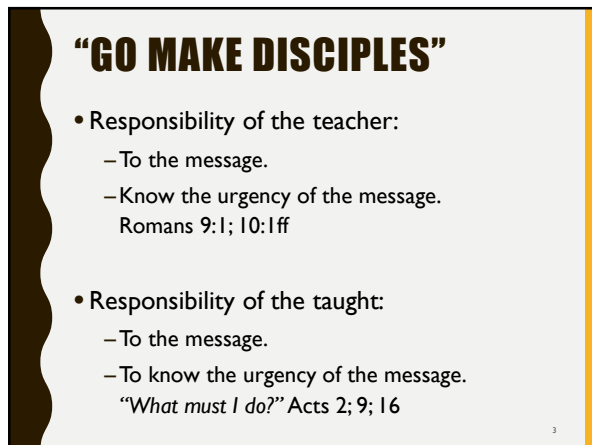




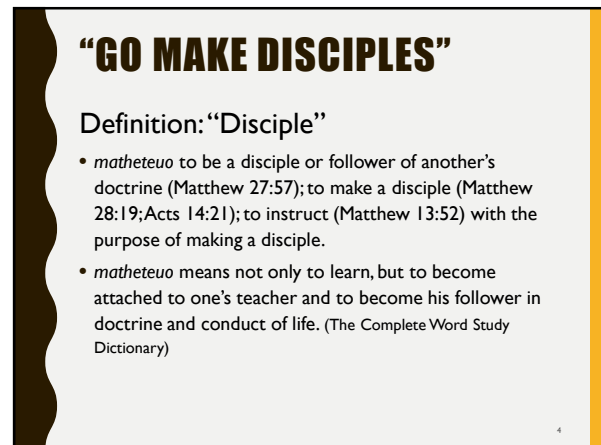
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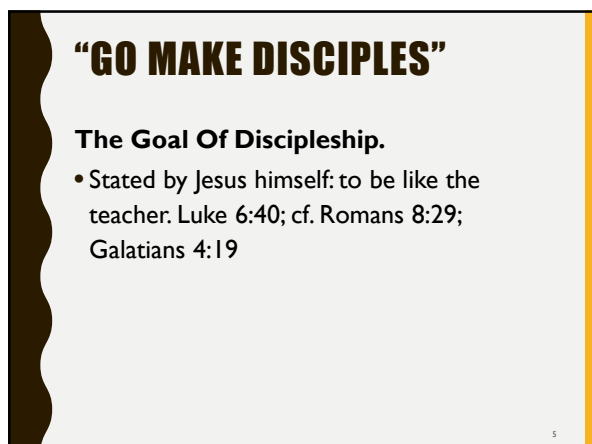
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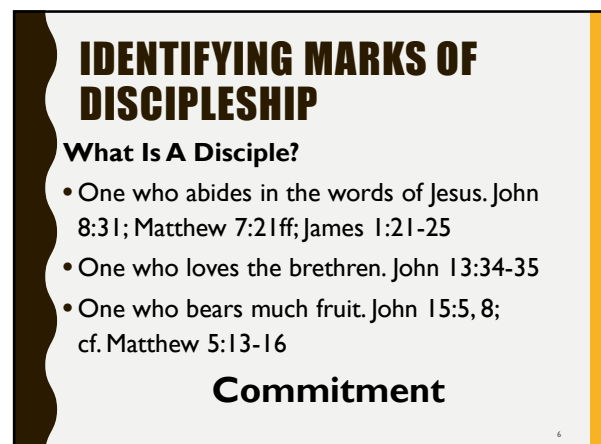
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## THE COSTS OF DISCIPLESHIP

### What Is A Disciple?

- Jesus must come first. Luke 14:26
  - Before family. Matthew 10:34-37
  - Before self. Luke 9:23-25
- Must be willing to suffer. Luke 14:27; 2 Timothy 3:12
- Renounce all that we have to follow Jesus. Luke 14:33; cf. John 6

### Sacrifice

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## THE REWARDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

- Future blessings. Romans 5:9; cf. Romans 6:23; 11:22
- Present blessings.
  - Forgiveness. Acts 2:38
  - Prayer. John 9:31; 1 Peter 3:12
  - Peace. Phil. 4:4ff; 1 Peter 5:6
  - Family. Galatians 3:26ff; Romans 8:16-17

### Trust

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## THE BEGINNING OF DISCIPLESHIP

### “Go make disciples.” TEACH

#### God calls the lost through teaching.

John 6:44-45; Romans 10:8-13, 14-17;  
Note: Acts 16:9-10

#### Make Disciples by Gospel Preaching.

Acts 2:14, 22, 36, 40

#### Preaching saves believers.

1 Corinthians 1:21; Romans 10:14-17

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## THE BEGINNING OF DISCIPLESHIP

### “Go make disciples.” TEACH

- Choice of masters (disciple). Acts 11:26, 21 (“Lord”), 23.
- Choice of conduct. cf. 1 Peter 4:1-5.
- **Repentance Must Occur. Acts 11:18.**
- Radical change in life because:
  - Die to sin. Galatians 2:20.

### Choice. cf. Romans 6:16-18

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## THE BEGINNING OF DISCIPLESHIP

### TEACH – Disciples are not made by the gospels of men:

1. Social gospel: Converted to recreation and social activities.
2. Ecumenical gospel: Unity in moral and doctrinal diversity is sin (Galatians 1:8-9; 2 John 9-11).
3. Denominational gospels: Faith only, universalism, etc.
4. Latter-day gospels: LDS, JW's, Adventists, Premillennial, etc.

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## THE BEGINNING OF DISCIPLESHIP

### “Go make disciples.” BAPTIZE

Water baptism is essential:

- For a relationship with God. Matthew 28:19; (Galatians 3:27)
- For salvation. Mark 16:16 (1 Peter 3:21)
- For remission of sins. Acts 2:38
- For cleansing. Acts 22:16; Ephesians 5:26
- For new life in Christ. Romans 6:3-4

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## THE BEGINNING OF DISCIPLESHIP

*"Go make disciples."* **TEACHING THEM ...**

- Bible teaching and learning is to a new Christian what milk is to a new baby.  
1 Peter 2:2; cf. Acts 2:41, 46; 5:12, 42
- God measures spiritual strength and maturity by our interest in, our commitment to, and our growth in learning and living God's word.  
Hebrews 5:11-12.

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## ARE YOU A DISCIPLE?

- One who **seeks** to be like Christ.
- One who **abides** in His word.
- One who **loves** the brethren.
- One who **bears** much fruit.
- One who **puts Jesus first**, no matter the cost.
- One who **enjoys the blessings** and **shares in the responsibilities** of being in Christ.

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