

A. M. SERMON NOTES  
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**JESUS' LAST EARTHLY WORDS**

**(Matthew 28:18 - 20)**

**1. A GREAT CLAIM: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth"**

(Matt. 17:5) "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him"  
(Hebrews 1:2) "has in these last days spoken to us by His Son"  
(Ephesians 1:22-23) "gave Him to be head over all things to the church"  
(Colossians 1:18) "and He is the head of the body, the church"  
(Col. 3:17) "do all in the name of the Lord Jesus"

That means all others are excluded from being the head of the church!

**2. A GREAT COMMISSION: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"**

"Disciple" - a learner, pupil, or follower of one's teaching; imitator of the teacher.

(Romans 10:14) "how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?"  
(v17) "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"

"Baptizing them ... "

(Luke 24:46-51) records this commission with added information.  
Luke also records the commencement of this commission in his letter titled: Acts

(Luke 24:47) "repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name"  
(Acts 2:38) "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins"

(Luke 24:47) "to all nations"  
(Acts 2:5) "there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven"

(Luke 24:47) "beginning at Jerusalem"  
(Acts 1:12) "Then they returned to Jerusalem" and (Acts 2:5-6)

(Luke 24:49) "but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high"  
(Acts 2:2-4) " ... and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit ... "

**3. A GREAT CHARGE: "Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you"**

And it happened at the commencement recorded in (Acts 2): those who were taught and baptized (v42) "continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

We are to do the same: (1 Peter 1:22-23 and 2:2-3; 2 Peter 1:5-11 and 3:18).

**4. A GREAT COMFORT: "I am with you always, even to the end of the age"**

**CLOSE: Will you be a disciple of Jesus?**