

Bible Study
I WILL – Lesson 10
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GROWING TOGETHER IN EVANGELISM
Matthew 28: 16-20

Many churches are not growing today because they have lost their passion for lost souls. The primary business of the church is to win people to Jesus Christ. Jesus' instructions to His disciples were to make disciples that is, to bring people into the Christian faith. Too many church folk want to serve the church in various ministries (from the pulpit to the pew) but very few want to involve themselves in an evangelism strategy.

Our text is known as the "Great Commission". Jesus gives His disciples these instructions after His resurrection and before His ascension back to heaven. The book of Acts tells the story of these disciples who are on a mission to spread the Good News that Jesus Christ is Lord. In this 21st century the church/ Christian people must tell people that Jesus can change your life. We know that He is a healer, deliverer and can set the captives free. We have experienced Him for ourselves. Just as the Early Church grew together in Evangelism we too must grow together in Evangelism.

Let me share with you how we can grow together in Evangelism. The text suggests that we should:

- I. Reach Others for Christ
 - A. Commissioned to go
 - B. Commissioned to grow
- II. Teach Others about Christ
 - A. Observe the Lord
 - B. Obey the Lord
- III. Preach to Others about Christ
 - A. Worship the Lord
 - B. Witness for the Lord