

Sermon Title: Owning the Great Commission

Speaker: Matthew Robinson

Passage: Matthew 28:16-20

Groups Guide: 8/24//25

Belong:

Ice Breaker: Do you love road trips? What are your travel necessities? What is the most exciting place you have been?

Leader's Note: [Matthew Robinson](#) is our Executive Pastor in charge of ministries and administration. He also serves on the Intentional Churches leadership team helping churches across the country to mobilize their ninety-nines to reach and grow their ones.

Believe:

Have someone read Matthew 28:16-20

Leader's Note: Matthew 28:19–20 contains what has come to be called the Great Commission. Jesus gave this command to the apostles shortly before He ascended into heaven, and it essentially outlines what Jesus expected the apostles, and those who followed them, to do in His absence.” Got Questions Ministries, [Got Questions? Bible Questions Answered](#) (Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2002–2013).

1. What 4 things does Jesus tell his disciples to do in the Great Commission?
2. What else does he say?
3. What did the disciples do with this commission? How do we know?

Have someone read Luke 15:1-7

1. What is Jesus saying in this parable?
2. Is the action of the shepherd anticipated and logical to the listeners?
3. How does the shepherd respond when he finds the lost sheep? What does he tell his neighbors? How do they respond?

Become:

Leader's Note: In the message today, Pastor Matthew shares 2 questions that he asks when he reads scripture. These are great questions to share with your group as you

discuss the message as well as good Bible study techniques for them to use when they spend time in the Word on their own.

- 1. Looking at Matthew 28:16-20 and Luke 15:1-7 collectively ask "What is God saying to me?"*
- 2. "What am I going to do about it?"*
- 3. Thinking through these passages, who "left the 99" to find you and lead you to Christ? Share with the group how this impacted your life.*

Challenge:

1. Next month, we will be talking more about God's Story and Your Story. Start today, praying and thinking through what God has done in the past and how He created you, redeemed you, and is in the process of restoring you.
2. Pray and consider inviting a friend, co-worker, or neighbor to be part of our group experience next month.