

A Church on a Mission
Part 3: The Great Commission
Matthew 28:16-20

A Pop Quiz:

Q: What method of evangelism/outreach did Jesus use during his earthly ministry?

A: Matthew 9:35-36

Q: What method of evangelism/outreach is most common in churches in the U.S.A? First Baptist Church?

A:

The Great Commission

Basics of Matthew

- Author: Matthew, formerly known as Levi, a Jewish Christian & former tax collector
- A Biography of Jesus Christ from an eye witness
- Date: 50-69AD
- Recipients: Greek speaking Jews in Jerusalem
- Purpose: To prove that Jesus of Nazareth is the long awaited Messiah, Son of David, Son of God and Lord
- An apologetic for the Jews
- Most widely used gospel in the NT church in Jerusalem
- Abundant use of Old Testament predictions fulfilled in Jesus
- Jesus as Messiah and Teacher
- Kingdom of Heaven (Kingdom of God) used 30X
- Discipleship stressed (follow Jesus as a disciple)

v. 16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.

v.17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

v.18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

v. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

v. 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

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The Best Way to Love God--John 14:23 & 1 John 2:4

The Best Way to Love People—John 3:16-18

The Church: Attractional or Missional?

Attractional: the right location, building, programs, pastor and ministries

Missional: is the noun “mission” turned into an adjective. Missional churches do what missionaries do

First Baptist Church: Attractional with a strong emphasis and priority on local outreach and mission in Cape May County

Becoming more MISSIONAL!

Application:

1. Change your belief
2. Missionaries for a Week at Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Missionaries for a LIFETIME

A missional church is on a mission by intentionally and deliberately Loving God and Loving People by going out into Cape May County and making disciples of all people.

TOGETHER Fulfilling The Great Commandment and The Great Commission

(Mark 12:29-31, Matthew 28:19-20)