

PERSONAL APPLICATION

1. Pray for an opportunity to share about God's love and what He has done for you to someone else this week.

2. Discipleship is about following Jesus. Are there areas in your life right now that need to be adjusted so that you can follow Jesus wholeheartedly? How can you practically help others follow Jesus as well?

3. Do you find it hard to share your faith to those around you? How so? Pray for God to give you boldness and confidence as you obey His Word and share the gospel.

PRAYER

On the space provided below, record prayer requests and answers to prayer.



Finish the Task

WARM-UP

1. Have you tried working a summer job? Share your experience.

2. When you were a kid, what household chore was often assigned to you? Did you love doing it?

3. Tell of a time when you had to do an overwhelming task. What did you do to finish it?

WORD

¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

God has commissioned every believer to go into all the world and share His message of reconciliation and life. We probably heard about Jesus because of someone who loved us enough to obey God's command to share the gospel. We have that same privilege and obligation today. Following are three things to consider as we go and participate in God's unfinished business.

I. We go with God's authorization.

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Matthew 28:18

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.

John 15:16

We can communicate the gospel with boldness because Jesus appointed us to our task. What does it mean to ask "in Jesus' name"?

2. We go to make disciples.

"¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. . . ."

Matthew 28:19, 20

Jesus' instructions are clear: we are to make disciples. The goal is not just to get people to pray a prayer or attend a Christian event, but to help them receive the gospel and live according to Jesus' teachings. What is a disciple and how do you become one? How do you make disciples?

3. We go with God's presence.

"... And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:20

Jesus promised that as we faithfully share the gospel to the nations, He will always be with us and will never leave us. Our confidence rests in the knowledge that the One in us is greater and more powerful than anything that may choose to oppose His message. How does this truth help you in sharing the gospel to those around you?
