

III. GOSPEL PROPAGATION

We are commanded-empowered to Go! Matthew 28:19-20

A. Realize and Evangelize.

Our Commander-in-chief charged us to “Go, to make disciples. Local churches will evangelize when we realize that the Gospel from the empty tomb was not “come and hear” but “Go and tell!” Everyone of Jesus’ disciples became *apostles*, literally “*sent ones*” except one – Judas, and he was a traitor! There are only three options: Go, Send, or Disobey!

B. Baptize and Stabilize.

Disciples need doctrinal stability for Gospel mobility. Churches must teach new believers “to do” better, to obey all the Jesus commanded. We must start with His last and Great Commission – Go disciple nations! Jesus entrusted every local church believer with the Gospel. We are stewards to *guard* the Gospel but must also Go to *give* it to the lost!

C: Vitalize and Mobilize.

Gospel-driven churches alive and outward focused. They are Christ-centered mindful of His words, “As the Father sent me so send it you!” The Gospel has an urgency since it is only Good news if it reaches the lost in time! They are on-the-go to declare the Gospel convinced that the lost will not *know* unless we *GO!* It may be overseas or across the street, we are stronger and better going together. So, let’s keep going until He comes!

**WE MUST UNITE TOGETHER AND
DECLARE THE GOSPEL!**

DECLARE THE GOSPEL Declare The Gospel By Going Dr. Chris Gnanakan

INTRODUCTION

A. What is our Global Missions Focus?

Mission: Making sure that everyone in the world hears the Gospel of Jesus Christ correctly and planting New Testament churches among those who believe.

“23 So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

24 And after they had passed through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25 Now when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia.

26 From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.

27 Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.”

Acts 14:23-27

B. The theme of our 2021 Global Missions Focus is “DECLARE THE GOSPEL”.

“Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand,”
I Corinthians 15:1

C. In DECLARE THE GOSPEL, we will be challenged to go declare the gospel to everyone. This seven part series features the following messages:

July 11 Focusing On Missions

July 18 Declare The Gospel!

TODAY Declare The Gospel By Going

Aug 1 Declare The Gospel By Sending

Aug 8 Declare The Gospel By Praying

Aug 15 Declare The Gospel By Evangelizing

Aug 22 Declare The Gospel By Loving

D. **TEXT:** Matthew 28:19-20

DECLARE THE GOSPEL BY GOING

I. GOSPEL POSSESSION

'We first must have it to be able to share it!'

I Corinthians 15:1-3

A. Preaching with fervor.

The *Gospel*, literally *Good News*, is what God has done through His Son Jesus, our only Savior. The apostle Paul received this message of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection (Acts 9). He experienced its saving power and was convinced it can save all who put their trust in Christ. Paul knew many who had never heard this life-giving message. He was *not ashamed* but *obligated* and *eager* to go with it (Romans 1:14-17) to the people at Corinth.

B. Receiving by faith.

The believers at Corinth, in turn, received the Gospel and were saved by trusting the risen Christ as the only hope for a dying world. Such faith came by "hearing" the Gospel that was declared to them (Romans 10:17). Yes all, yet only those, who believe/receive the Gospel are transformed and given the authority to be called God's children (John 1:12).

C. Standing firm.

Many smart Greeks in this notorious city of Corinth rejected and ridiculed the Gospel (Acts 17:32). Yet, the few who genuinely believed were assured of their salvation, bold in the faith they possessed, and stood firm on its future hope. Like Paul, they became witnesses to the living Christ's saving power. They realized that they were *saved to share* it with others!

II. GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

How will the lost know unless we ...Go? Romans 10:11-15

A. Calling on the name.

Paul puts forth a case for going and *apologia* or logic for being sent as missionaries. Because of God's mercies and Christ's limitless love, whoever calls on Jesus' name will be saved (10:13). But, to call on the name, people must first hear what/Who it is about! This name represents YHWH's redeeming nature now in *Yeshua*, Jesus the Savior and Lord of all. One must get the message, see their need then they can call on or reach out to God.

B. Confessing our sins.

We must say the same thing God says about sin and ourselves. One must comprehend their need for salvation and be convicted of sins. Only if we confess our sins, God who is faithful will forgive and cleanse us. This requires clearly communicating or "declaring the Gospel" – preaching the cross which calls for repentance and faith in Christ alone (I Corinthians 1:17).

C. Carrying the Gospel.

Declaration sins forgiven in Jesus' name is an authoritative message. Paul proceeds to argue that one cannot go unless they are sent (*missio*, from which we get *missions*). The Lord Jesus Himself commanded His followers to go to all nations to declare this message of life-or-death! The true disciple constantly sees the impelling "Go" in the *GOspel!*