

# The New Covenant and the Great Commission

**TEXT: Mark 16:15-16**

## INTRODUCTION:

- A. JESUS GAVE 2 COMMISSIONS - THE "**LIMITED**" & THE "**GREAT**."
- B. EACH HAD ITS OWN **GOSPEL** - THEME OF **GOOD NEWS**.
  1. To the Jews it was "good news" that the kingdom was at hand.
  2. To Jew & Gentile it was "good news" that Jesus died, was raised, and now rules over his kingdom.
- C. LET'S CONSIDER BOTH COMMISSIONS & THE GOSPEL OF EACH.

## I. THE FIRST COMMISSION & ITS GOSPEL.

- A. **JOHN THE BAPTIST** CAME PREACHING THE KINGDOM WAS AT HAND  
( **Mat. 3:1-3 = John 1:6-8** ).
- B. JESUS ALSO PREACHED THE GOOD NEWS OF THE KINGDOM  
( **Mark 1:14-15; Mat. 4:17, 23** ).
- C. LATER, JESUS SELECTED 12 MEN WHOM HE SENT W/THE SAME MESSAGE  
( **Mat. 10:5-7** ). **TO THE JEWS ONLY** -  
*THE "LIMITED COMMISSION."*
- D. THE 70 OTHERS( **Luke 10:9** ).
- E. **SUMMARY**: BEFORE HIS DEATH, JEWS ONLY, APPROACHING KINGDOM,  
CALLING TO REPENTANCE.

## II. THE GREAT COMMISSION AND ITS GOSPEL.

- A. THE PROMISE TO ABRAHAM - **ALL NATIONS** -  
*THE "GREAT COMMISSION."*
- B. **Mat. 28:18-20**.
  1. All authority belongs to Jesus( **Acts 2:36** ).
  2. Teach all nations( **John 6:44-45; Rom. 10:17** ).
  3. Baptizing - how do you make a disciple?( **Acts 2:38** ).
  4. Teaching them( **Acts 2:42** ).
- C. **Mark 16:15-16**.
  1. Preach the gospel - good news( **1 Cor. 15:1-4** )Not the Kingdom.
  2. To the whole creation fulfilling **Gen. 12:3**.
  3. He that believeth & is baptized.
    - a. Believe what is taught( **Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17** ).
    - b. Baptism, obedience, the perfection of faith( **Jas. 2:24** )
  4. Shall be saved? Sins & consequences removed( **Acts 2:38** ).
- D. **Luke 24:44-49**.
  1. Christ fulfilled the law & the prophets( **vs. 44** ).
  2. His suffering & death for sins **is** the gospel.
  3. Repentance & remission of sin preached in his name.
  4. Apostles were witnesses( **vs. 48, Acts 1:8; 3:32** ).
  5. Abide in Jerusalem until the Spirit fell upon them  
( **vs. 47-49; Acts 1:4-8** ).

- E. **SUMMERY**: PREACH OR TEACH, GOSPEL, ALL NATIONS, JERUSALEM,  
POWER HOLY SPIRIT, BELIEVE & BAPTIZE, NAME OF JESUS,  
REMISSION OF SIN SALVATION.

**CONCLUSION: OUR OBLIGATION TO THE GREAT COMMISSION.**

- A. OBEDIENCE TO THE MESSAGE.  
1. Belief, 2. Repentance, 3. Baptism.
- C. CARRY ON THE MESSAGE.