MATTHEW 28:16-20
DISCUSSION GUIDE

Here are some questions and thoughts to help guide discussion:

1. What stood out to you from this Sunday’s sermon? Was there anything that was new to you, or anything that surprised you?

2. In our passage for this week, Jesus tells His disciples that all authority on heaven and on earth has been given to Him, and this truth is the basis for His command to make disciples. What’s the connection between Christ’s authority and our involvement in disciple-making? If your involvement in the Great Commission has been drooping, where do you need to start?

3. On Sunday we learned that Jesus’s commission did not involve four separate tasks, but that it is one mission which is clarified by three other elements. Respond to this idea. Is it helpful to you? What specific areas of the Christian life (individual and corporate) are clarified by this understanding?

4. What is a “disciple”? What parts of life does discipleship encompass? What kinds of things are you engaged in to be developed as a disciple of Jesus?

5. What does it look like to make disciples of Jesus? How well are you doing at making disciples? What are your next steps in becoming a more fruitful discippler?

6. Discuss the role of baptism in the life of a disciple. How would you counsel someone who believes in Jesus but has not been baptized? Is baptism optional?

7. Jesus said that He would be with His disciples until the end of the age. What does that mean for our task of making discipling and how seriously we should be giving ourselves to it?