

**The Great Commission****Objectives:**

1. Personal ownership of the Great Commission.
2. A growing desire to share Christ with friends and family.
3. The ability to clearly share the gospel with others.

**Materials**

- The Great Commission* packet.
- How to Share the Gospel Without an Argument*.
- Born to Reproduce*.

**Tasks:***During the Meeting:*

- If you have not already, discuss the *No Secrets* teaching.
- Review Hebrews 10:24-25.
- Go through the *The Great Commission* packet.
- Listen to the *How to Share the Gospel Without an Argument*.
- Practice sharing the gospel with each other until you are comfortable with this method.

*Homework:*

- Listen to *Born to Reproduce* before your next meeting.
- Memorize Matthew 28:19-20 before your next meeting.
- Pray that God will give you one man or one woman.

### The Great Commission

A witness in a courtroom tells what he or she knows about a given situation. The Christian witness tells others what he or she knows about Jesus Christ and what it means to personally trust Him with his or her life.

When He began His ministry, Jesus called two fishermen, Simon Peter and his brother Andrew, and said, "Come, follow me ... and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19). Through the ages, the same call has gone out to all those who put their faith in Jesus Christ. He reaches others through the faithful witness of people like you (2 Corinthians 5:19-20)

## WHAT?

### 1. Your experience.

- A. Sometimes, you feel that you don't know enough to be an effective witness for Christ. But Paul often told others about Christ in a way in which each of us can be effective. In what form did he tell others about the gospel? Acts 22:1-21

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- B. The blind man whom Jesus healed had little or no Bible training, but he was able to refute the biggest skeptics of his time with his own experience. What did he say?

John 9:25 \_\_\_\_\_

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### 2. The message.

- A. What message has power to save men from hell? Romans 1:16

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- B. What is the gospel (good news)? 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

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- C. How was Paul effective in seeing the Corinthians come to Christ? 1 Corinthians 2:1-2

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**WHY?**

**1. For how many people in the world today has Jesus died?** John 3:16

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**2. What does God desire?** 2 Peter 3:9; 1 Timothy 2:4

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**3. How does God plan to fulfill His desire?** Romans 10:13-17

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**4. If we want to imitate God, then what type of vision or outlook should we have?**

John 3:16 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**5. What one thing did Jesus want His disciples to pray?** Matthew 9:37-38

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Why? \_\_\_\_\_

**6. The Great Commission.** What was Jesus' final command while here on earth?

Matthew 28:19-20 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**WHEN AM I READY?**

**1. How soon after conversion did the following Christians start proclaiming the gospel?**

A. The Philippians (Philippians 1:5) \_\_\_\_\_  
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B. Paul (Acts 9:20) \_\_\_\_\_  
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**WHO?**

**1. Who should you witness to? Mark 16:15**

*And then he told them, "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere." -NLT*

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**2. How ready are people to be saved? John 4:35-38**

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**WHEN?**

**1. According to Colossians 4:5-6, we should:**

- speak about Christ whenever we're asked
- try to win only those who appear to be receptive
- recognize that every contact with an outsider (unbeliever) is in some way an opportunity

**2. Use the New Testament examples to think of similar situations where you could share Christ.**

A. Acts 5:42 \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Acts 17:17 \_\_\_\_\_

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C. Matthew 9:10-12 \_\_\_\_\_

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D. John 4:3-10 \_\_\_\_\_

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