

# “The Great Omission”

## Matthew 28:18-20

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### Introduction:

- *Matthew 28:18-20*
- Omission – “Something left out ... Not done ... Neglected.”

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### 1. All Authority:

- a. **Exousia** (Greek) – English – Authority ... “Absolute authority to rule and have control.”
- b. **Matthew 28:18**
- c. But what does that mean? We only know authority from a Finite point of view – Meaning: very limited.
- d. The authority of God is not limited in any way at all ... Do you understand that?
- e. God has the authority to do the following:
  - i. Speak the Heavens and Earth into existence – Ex Nihilo – Out of nothing. **Genesis 1-2**
  - ii. Change the language of the people – **Genesis 11**
  - iii. Cause a barren woman of 90 to have a child – **Genesis 21**
  - iv. Give a boy named Joseph the second highest position in Egypt – even though he was Jewish – **Genesis 39**
  - v. To save the nation of Israel during a famine – **Genesis 47**
  - vi. To part the Red Sea – **Exodus 13**
  - vii. To hold the sun and moon in place for a day and a half – **Joshua 10**
  - viii. To Step out of eternity and into our world – **Luke 2**
  - ix. To heal all kinds of ailments – **Matthew 8; 9; 14**
  - x. To take the full wrath of sin and rise from the dead – **Matthew 27-28**
  - xi. One day, He will return to get His Church – **1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4**
- f. **Matthew 28:18**
- g. Jesus isn’t the founder of Christianity – He is God!
- h. **Philippians 2:9-11**
- i. **Revelation 20:11-15**
- j. What makes something matter to us, is the authority behind it.

### 2. Therefore, Go!

- a. **Matthew 28:19-20**
- b. Therefore – “In consequent of ... Because of ... as a result of.”
- c. Mission – “A task, an assignment that must be accomplished.”
- d. Commission – “The act of committing or entrusting a person with power and authority to accomplish a task or mission.”
- e. Four questions with Four answers:

- i. What is the mission? Go make disciples of all nations.
  - 1. **Ethnos** – Different people groups.
- ii. How do we do that? Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
  - 1. **Baptizo** – To be plunged under, to be covered, to bury. (**Acts 2:38**)
- iii. After baptism, then what? Teach them everything I have commanded you.
- iv. How can I possibly do this? I am with you always. (**Philippians 4:13 ... 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:15**)
- f. Omission – “Something left out ... not done ... neglected.”

### 3. I AM with you always.

- a. **Matthew 28:20**
- b. If you are a baptized believer – Jesus is with you always!
- c. Do you realize that in this Promise He reminds us of two names that show His love and Power?
  - i. **Matthew 1:23** – Immanuel
  - ii. **Exodus 3:13-14** – The Great I AM
- d. **Matthew 28:20**
- e. Greek – **Aion** ... English – **Era** ... means, “A period of history or time having some distinct feature.”
- f. When it comes to living your life, live in a way that is pleasing and honoring to God – without Omission!
- g. Do not leave out the AUTHORITY of Jesus Christ.
- h. We are called to:
  - i. Faith – **Romans 10:17**
  - ii. Believe – **John 3:16**
  - iii. Repent – **Luke 13:3**
  - iv. Confess – **Philippians 2:1-11 ... Matthew 10:32**
  - v. Baptism – **Acts 2:38 ... Mark 16:16**
  - vi. Faithfulness – **James 1:12 ... Revelation 2:10**
- i. Does anyone have the authority to omit any of those? Absolutely not.
- j. The Great Commission is a forward moving plan to free millions from the bondage of sin.

