

DATE: Sunday, September 12, 2021

TITLE: "DNA: Our Mission"

PASSAGE: Matthew 28:16-20; Matthew 22:37-39

SERIES: DNA: Who We Are, What We Do, Why It Matters

BIG IDEA: We exist to glorify God through the fulfillment of the Great Commission in the spirit of the Great Commandment.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21: "Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Five marks of our mission:

1) The PRIORITY of our mission: WORSHIP JESUS (v16-17)

2) The **POWER** for our mission: TRUST IN THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS (<18)

HEBREWS 1:2-4: "In these last day, he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom he also created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs."

3) The PURPOSE in our mission: MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS (v19-20a)

What does a disciple look like?

A) A disciple obeys what Jesus said

JOHN 8:31-32: "If you abide in my word, *you are truly my disciples*, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

B) A disciple loves like Jesus loved

JOHN 13:34-35: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. **By this all people will know that you are my disciples**, if you have love for one another."

C) A disciple looks like Jesus looked

JOHN 15:8: "By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and <u>so prove</u> to be my disciples."

- 4) The PROMISE for our mission: GO WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS (v20b)
- **5) The PASSION behind our mission: LOVE LIKE JESUS** (Matthew 22:37-39)