

The Call of the Church - Michael Wilkes

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Main Idea: Jesus plans to fulfill His mission to reach all nations through the Church.

- I. **The Great Commission Is Entrusted To Imperfect People, vv. 16–17.**
 - A. God’s ambassadors aren’t the cream of the crop (cf. 1 Corinthians 1:18–30).
 - B. God’s ambassadors don’t have perfect faith (cf. Matthew 11:1–11).
 - C. God’s ambassadors obey regardless of circumstances.
 - D. God’s ambassadors worship above all else.
- II. **The Great Commission is Empowered By God Himself, v. 18, 20.**
 - A. It is anchored to Christ’s authority.
 - B. It is accomplished through the indwelling Spirit.
- III. **The Great Commission is Everything The Church Should Do, vv. 19–20.**
 - A. Our distinct goal is the nations.
 - B. Our daily grind is disciple-making.
 - i. Going – leverage your whole life for this mission
 - ii. Baptizing – multiply the churches, not just converts
 - iii. Teaching – training people to follow Jesus, not just know about Him.