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16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted

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John 20:24-29

24 Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. **25** So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it.”

26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!”

27 Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”

28 Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!” **29** Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

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“Full recognition of Jesus’ resurrection did not come to them[the disciples] immediately. After the traumatic experience of the crucifixion, it took time for the disciples to come to that full awareness.”

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Matthew 28:18

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

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Daniel 7:13-14

13 “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence.

14 He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

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Ephesians 1:19b-23

That power is like the working of his mighty strength 20 which he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given,

not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

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Philippians 2:9-11

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, **10** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, **11** and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Colossians 1:15-20

15 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. **16**

For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created by him and for him. **17** He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. **19** For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, **20** and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

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Matthew 28:19-20

19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

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- **“Baptize them”**

- **“teaching them to obey everything I have commanded”**

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“The appointed task has two parts. First, and fundamentally, it is the work of worldwide witness, making disciples and planting churches... Second, all Christians are called to do works of mercy and compassion.”

**Relying on God's commandment
to love our neighbors, Christians
should respond with generosity
and compassion to all forms of
human needs.”**

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“[Jesus] breaks through a variety of barriers-gender, ethnic, religious, social, economic, and so on-by calling all peoples into a personal relationship with Himself...

A disciple of Jesus has come to Him for salvation and eternal life and will always be only a disciple... What Jesus has done in making disciples of His first followers, succeeding generations of the church will do in the making of new disciples of Jesus.”

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“How is Jesus with us? Jesus was with the disciples physically until He ascended into heaven, and the spiritually through the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit would be Jesus’ presence that would never leave them. Jesus continues to be with us today through His Spirit.

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Final Thoughts

“We are to go-whether is is next door or to another country-and make disciples.

It is not an option, but to all who call Jesus “Lord.” We are not all evangelists in the formal sense, but we all have received gifts that we can use to help fulfill the Great Commission. As we obey, we have comfort in the knowledge that Jesus is always with us.”

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1 John 4:4

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.