THE ESSENTIALS OF DISCIPLE-MAKING

MARCHING ORDERS

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

	MATTHEW 28:16-20	
1.	IS OUR	•
	Matthew 28:16-18	
2.		IS OUR MISSION
	Matthew 28:19-20a	
3.	IS OUR	·

Matthew 28:20b

APPLY

How has your view on the Great Commission changed through today's study? How does Jesus want you to participate in His command to make disciples?



LOOKING TO NEXT WEEK...

LESSON #3

LEAVING A LEGACY

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

1 THESSALONIANS 1:4-10; 2:7-12; 3:8-10

THE LESSON AT A GLANCE

First Thessalonians was likely the first letter Paul wrote during his second missionary journey in AD 48–52. It's addressed to a church Paul and Silas planted several years before. Though they only spent from three weeks to at most three months with this young congregation of Jews and Greeks, they developed a deep and abiding love for this church.

You can read about the inception of the first church in Thessalonica in Acts 17:1-9. Note that Paul and Silas were swiftly run out of town by a mob who said they defied Caesar by claiming, "Jesus is King." Imagine the challenge in planting a church only to have to leave it so soon.

Paul's letter was a response to a report from Timothy that not only was the church surviving, but it was thriving, even amid persecution. Paul and Silas's legacy lived on in this young congregation who were sharing the good news of Jesus throughout the region.

THE MAIN IDEA

What does it mean to leave a legacy? How might Christians view leaving a legacy differently from others?

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE

What am I doing with my time, treasure, and talent to leave behind something of lasting impact?

