



All In for the Great Commission!

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Text: Acts 8:36-40

Passage Summary: As we seek to play our part in the fulfillment of the Great Commission, it is essential that we understand the _____ of the _____ in its entirety!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that making a decision to follow Jesus is not the _____, but the _____ of a lifelong journey in what it means to know, serve and become more like Him! (8:36-40)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to the lifelong journey in what it means to know, serve and become more like Jesus, it involves a...

- Bold profession of _____ through _____! (v.36-38)

Remember: When it comes to the lifelong journey in what it means to know, serve and become more like Jesus, If you have never been baptized, the question is, "What are you _____ for", and if you have, the question is, "Who are you _____ for all these years later?"

- Steadfast commitment to _____ in our _____ through the various seasons of life! (v.39-40)

Remember: When it comes to the lifelong journey in what it means to know, serve and become more like Jesus, hold _____ those influential men and women God brings into your life for a season, and bring honor to all involved by staying the course in your faith when God sees fit to _____ them!

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine that you will not live as though a decision for Christ is the end of the story; instead, go all in with regard to what it means to know, serve and become more like Jesus, knowing that anything less can be the difference between _____ and _____!

"What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

Romans 6:1-4

"Water baptism symbolizes the death of our old nature. What do you do with a body that is dead? You bury it. And that's what baptism symbolizes. It's an outward sign of an inward reality, signifying that you have buried all the guilt, all the sin, and all the shame of that old life. And then, coming up out of the water, you rise in the newness of life in Christ Jesus as you identify with His resurrection."

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