



Matthew 28:16 “Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him-but some of them doubted! Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Jesus gave us a commission but with that, he gave his commitment to never leave us.

As we commit to the mission, He commits to never leaving us.

3 Strategies of the Enemy that Keeps You from Committing to the Mission:

1. Escape (Jonah)

Jonah 1:1-3

Fear of man, fear of commitment, fear of the outcome is keeping you away from fulfilling your destiny.

Jonah ran, but God pursued.

Jonah tried running away from Him, but God kept running into him.

You cannot be a servant of Christ, if you're enslaved to the opinion of man.

"I'll be with you"

2. Excuses (Moses)

Exodus 3:11

Read v. 10

- Inadequacy

Moses protested against God but God protested against his doubts.

Example: Harriet Tubman, Nickname: "Moses"

Born into slavery, Tubman escaped and subsequently made some 13 missions to rescue approximately 70 enslaved people, including family and friends, using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad.

Quote:

I had reasoned this out in my mind, there was one of two things I had a right to, liberty or death; if I could not have one, I would have the other.

I always told him, "I trust to you. I don't know where to go or what to do, but I expect you to lead me," and he always did.

3. Exhaustion/ I had enough (Elijah)

1 Kings 19:4

We react in exhaustion but God responds in gentleness.

Is Jesus the way or in the way?

How to overcome these strategies of the enemy?

Example of Mary and Jesus

1. Broken Will - "Yet I want your will to be done, not mine." Matthew 26:39 NLT
2. Dependence on God

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