## Session 8: Make Disciples - Baptism



Scripture Text: Matthew 28:18-20

## I. Commission Authority

- A. Jesus is the authority
- B. The role of the Church
  - 1. The church is the body of Christ. Romans 12:4
  - 2. Jesus is the head of the body. Colossians 1:18
- C. The purpose of the Body
  - 1. The purpose is to carry out the commission given by the head.
  - 2. Commission entrusting a person or group with an authoritative order.

## II. Commission Responsibility

- A. The commission representative
  - 1. Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
  - 2. Name authority.
  - 3. The church acts under the authority of Jesus.
- B. The commission responsibility
  - 1. Our responsibility is to carry out the commission as <u>directed</u> by the head.
  - 2. Baptize <u>immerse</u>.
  - 3. Baptism is a picture of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. *Romans 6:4*
- C. Personal responsibility
  - 1. Baptism is the <u>answer</u> of a good conscience toward God. 1 Peter 3:21
  - 2. Jesus's example. Matthew 3:13-17