Go and Tell

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"Your duty is to **GO** and **PREACH** about the Kingdom of Heaven." - Luke 9:60

You can't FOLLOW Jesus and STAY where you are.

5 Truths about Going.

1. Go in PRAYER.

Matthew 9

Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. ³⁸ So PRAY to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."

Don't pray about <u>GOING</u> . . . pray as you <u>GO</u>.

2. Go in POWER.

Matthew 10

¹ Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority to cast out evil spirits and to heal every kind of disease and illness.

Jesus gave us all <u>AUTHORITY</u> but we settle for <u>MEDIOCRITY</u>.

3. Go in PERSON.

Matthew 10

²⁻⁴ Here are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (also called Peter), then Andrew (Peter's brother), James (son of Zebedee), John (James's brother), Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew (the tax collector), James (son of Alphaeus), Thaddaeus, Simon (the zealot), Judas Iscariot (who later betrayed him). ⁵ Jesus sent out the twelve apostles with these instructions: "Don't go to the Gentiles or the Samaritans, ⁶ but only to the people of Israel - God's lost sheep. ⁷ Go and announce to them that the Kingdom of Heaven is NEAR."

Jesus didn't choose an <u>INSTITUTION</u> or a <u>DENOMINATION</u> . . . he chose a <u>PERSON</u>.

4. Go in PEACE.

Matthew 10

⁸ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons. Give as freely as you have received! ⁹ "Don't take any money in your money belts - no gold, silver, or even copper coins. ¹⁰ Don't carry a traveler's bag with a change of clothes and sandals or even a walking stick. Don't hesitate to accept hospitality, because those who work deserve to be fed." ¹¹ Whenever you enter a city or village, search for a worthy person and stay in his home until you leave town. ¹² When you enter the home, give it your Blessing of Peace."

If the message you're sharing isn't

<u>GOOD NEWS</u>... then it's not the <u>GOSPEL</u>.

5. Go on PURPOSE.

Matthew 10

¹⁶ "Look, I am sending you out as sheep among wolves. So be as shrewd as snakes and harmless as doves. ¹⁷ But beware! For you will be handed over to the courts and will be flogged with whips in the synagogues. ¹⁸ You will stand trial before governors and kings because you are my followers. But this will be your opportunity to tell the rulers and other unbelievers about me. ¹⁹ When you are arrested, don't worry about how to respond or what to say. God will give you the right words at the right time. ²⁰ For it is not you who will be speaking - it will be the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."

Jesus is <u>SENDING</u> you, but he's also going <u>WITH</u> you.

Tell Them 3 Things.

1. Tell them what you've <u>SEEN</u> and <u>HEARD</u>.

Acts 4

²⁰ [Peter and John before the Jewish counsel] "We can't stop telling about everything we have seen and heard."

Your Faith is **PERSONAL** but it's not **PRIVATE**.

2. Tell them what <u>GOD</u> has done for <u>YOU</u>.

Luke 8

³⁸ The man who had been freed from the demons begged to go with him. But Jesus sent him home, saying, ³⁹ "No, go back to your family, and tell them everything that God has done for you."

Nobody can argue with your <u>TESTIMONY</u> because your life is the <u>PROOF</u> that it's true.

3. Tell them what <u>JESUS SAID</u>.

• Jesus said to the **LOST**...

"I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." - John 8:12

Jesus said to the LONELY . . .

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own sheep, and they know me. Just as my Father knows me and I know the Father. So I sacrifice my life for the sheep." - John 10:14-15

• Jesus said to the **EMPTY** . . .

"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." - John 6:35

Jesus said to the BROKEN . . .

"I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will have eternal life." - John 11:25

Jesus said to the TIRED . . .

"I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." - John 15:5

Jesus said to the TRAPPED . . .

"I am the door. Those who come in through me will be saved. They will come and go freely and will find good pastures." - John 10:9-10

Jesus said to the **DISCIPLES** . . .

"I am the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE. No one can come to the Father except through me." - John 14:6