

Christ Centered and Cross Ready

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The threefold mission of Christ (The Great Commission, Matthew 28:16-20):

1. Make Disciples
2. Baptize Disciples
3. Teach Baptized Disciples to Obey all that Jesus Commanded

Matthew 10:34-39, *“Do not think I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I came to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.”*

1. Divisions

“Do not think I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword,”

Hebrews 4:12, *“The word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow.”*

2. Decisions

“I came to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.”

3. Determination

“He who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.”

“He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.”