Season of Prayer 2023

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Sermon Outline



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"Then He told them: Go and preach the good news to everyone in the world."

(Mark 16:15 CEV)

Background:

*The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the synoptic Gospels.

*Short outline of the whole Gospel:

- A. Prologue to the Gospel (1:1-13)
- B. Jesus' ministry in Galilee (1:14-8:21)
- C. On the way to Jerusalem (8:22-10:52)
- D. A week in Jerusalem (11:1-16:8)
- E. Jesus' appearances (16:9-20) This is where our text comes from.

Point 1: We must "go" and be on mission for the Lord. (Matthew 28:16-20)

- There are several times when Jesus used the word "go" in Scripture.
- It is a command for all believers.
- We can "go" out into the world and be a light for Jesus Christ. (missions and evangelism)
- He tells them to "go" and preach the good news.

Point 2: We must be light when we go and preach the good news of Jesus Christ.

- Mark presents the "Parable of the Lamp" in Mark 4:21-25.
- We should not want to keep the good news of Jesus Christ a secret. (evangelism)
- Matthew also talks about going and being light. (Matthew 5:14-16)
- We can be the light in our workplaces, churches, and anywhere we are. (missions)
- We are to be a light to the whole world!

This would be a perfect place to talk about all the connections that are made through ministries supported by the Janie Chapman OfferingSM, or you may choose to show a video about the offering.

- Focus Areas:
 - Strong: Daufuskie Island
 - Serve: Refugees and International Teachers
 - O Share: Minority Collegiate Minister Development
 - Send: Palmetto Collective
 - Start: ID Downtown

Point 3: We must be willing to answer the call no matter what! (Ephesians 4:1-3)

- Mark tells us that Jesus said to go and preach to all the world.
- This is not just a sermon for missionaries and pastors, but it is for all Christians.
- We must be obedient and walk worthy of the calling that the Lord has placed on our lives.