

“Go.”

When Amen Becomes Action

Matthew 28:18–20; Acts 1:8; Isaiah 6:8; Romans 10:14–15

THE MOST DANGEROUS WORD JESUS EVER SAID

Some words comfort you. Some words inspire you. Some words confront you. However, one word Jesus speaks ruins safe Christianity forever. One word that dismantles spectatorship. One word that refuses to let faith stay private.

It's not complicated. It's not theological. It's not poetic. It's simple. Two letters. **Go.**

WE LOVE COMING — JESUS LOVES GOING

Let's be honest. Church people are really good at **coming**. We come to worship. We come to Bible study. We come to conferences. We come to prayer nights. But Jesus never commanded, “Come to church.”

He commanded, “Go and make disciples.” Somehow, we built a whole culture around coming when Jesus built a kingdom around going. And those are not the same thing.

THE LAST WORDS MATTER MOST

Matthew 28 isn't casual conversation. These are resurrection words. Final words. And last words always carry weight. Jesus doesn't say, “Build buildings.” “Start programs.” “Protect yourselves.” He says, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore... go.” Because authority isn't given for comfort. It's given for mission.

IF WE DON'T GO — WHO WILL?

Paul asks a haunting question in Romans 10, “How will they hear without someone preaching to them?”

In other words, If we don't speak...Who will? If we don't show up...Who will? If we don't carry hope... Who will?

Because TikTok won't disciple them. Politics won't save them. Culture won't heal them. God's plan has always been one thing, **His people**. There is no Plan B. We are it. Which is both terrifying and holy.

ISAIAH'S MOMENT — AND OURS

In Isaiah 6, the prophet sees God's glory. He's undone. Aware of his sin. Aware of his weakness. And God asks, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” God doesn't command. He invites. And Isaiah doesn't negotiate. He doesn't say, “Let me pray about it.” He doesn't say, “After I'm more qualified.”

He says, “Here am I. Send me.” Not because he was ready. Because he was willing. God has never needed polished people. He’s always used available ones.

THE LIE WE BELIEVE ABOUT OUTREACH

We tell ourselves, “I’m not gifted at evangelism.” “I don’t know enough Scripture.” “I’m not bold like that.” But outreach isn’t about personality. It’s about proximity. It’s not about having the perfect words.

It’s about refusing to look away. You don’t need a sermon. You need compassion. You don’t need a platform. You need presence. Half the time, ministry is just showing up long enough for someone to trust you.

WHAT “GO” ACTUALLY LOOKS LIKE

Let’s make this plain. “Go” doesn’t always mean overseas. Sometimes it means:

- across the street
- across the office
- across the dinner table
- across the aisle at school

“Go” means interrupting your routine for someone else’s redemption. “Go” means inconvenience.

“Go” means love with work boots on. Because faith that never moves never multiplies.

WHAT IF EVERYONE OBEYED THIS?

Imagine if every believer here decided, “I’m not just attending church this year. I am sent by Jesus every day.” Your workplace changes. Your neighborhood changes. Your family changes. Not because of louder sermons—Because of visible love. Because the church finally left the building.

THE MOMENT OF TRUTH

Here’s the hard truth, If we hear four weeks about outreach and do nothing different...Then we didn’t say Amen. We said, “That was nice.” And Jesus didn’t die for “nice.” He died for obedience.

THE CALL: A CONGREGATIONAL COMMISSIONING

Today isn’t about information. It’s about decision. Not “Do you agree?” But “Will you go?” So here’s the challenge:

This month:

- Pray for one person daily

- Initiate one intentional conversation weekly
- Perform one tangible act of service weekly
- Invite someone into spiritual community

Not someday. Starting now. Because delayed obedience is still disobedience.

WHEN AMEN WALKS OUT THE DOOR

Jesus says, "Go." Not because the world is easy. But because the world is desperate. Not because we're ready. But because someone is waiting. So as we leave this place today, don't just say Amen with your mouth. Say it with your calendar. Say it with your courage. Say it with your steps. Because the church that only gathers dies. But the church that goes changes the world. So Church...Wherever Jesus sends...

Whatever it costs...Whomever it reaches...Here we are. Send us. Let the Church say **Amen**.