

# Sermon Outline

**FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS, NOW AND FOREVER,  
AMEN | Geoff Lin**

Bible Reading: Matthew 9:35-38 (p. 1386); Matt 16:13-18 (p.1398); Matt 28:16-20 (p.1423)

"The Lord's Prayer"

1. Our Father in heaven

Big Idea #1: your picture of God determines how you pray

2. Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven

Big Idea #2: we pray for our Father's concerns before we pray for our situation

3. Give us today our daily bread

Big Idea #3: the biggest obstacle to prayer is self-sufficiency

4. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us

Big Idea #4: the way God treats us must shape the way we treat others

5. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

Big Idea #5: God never short-changes us

6. *For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever: Amen*

Matthew 28:16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

- we are disciple-making disciples of Christ

- 3 ways we make more disciples

The big idea: we belong to God's global mission taskforce

1. Jesus says "I will build my church ..."

Matthew 16:13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup> Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

- the greatest movement and enterprise which the world has ever seen

- alternative discipleship-making programs?

2. Our Mission Taskforce Report Card for 2022

i. go

ii. baptize

iii. teach

Looking ahead to 2023

3. But there's still a long way to go ...

Q. What % of "all nations" are unreached?

Matthew 9:35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Q. What part do we play in this Great Commission?

A zealous man in religion is pre-eminently a *man of one thing*. It is not enough to say that he is earnest, hearty, uncompromising, thorough-going, whole-hearted, fervent in spirit. He only sees one thing, he cares for one thing, he lives for one thing, he is swallowed up in one thing; and that one thing is to please God. Whether he lives, or whether he dies - whether he has health, or whether he has sickness - whether he is rich, or whether he is poor - whether he pleases man, or whether he gives offence - whether he is thought wise, or whether he is thought foolish - whether he gets blame, or whether he gets praise - whether he gets honour, or whether he gets shame - for all this the zealous man cares nothing at all. He burns for one thing; and that one thing is to please God, and to advance God's glory. If he is consumed in the very burning, he has but done the work for which God appointed him. (JC Ryle, *Practical Religion* (1959); quoted in JI Packer, *Knowing God*)