

## **Jim's Sermon Notes September 5<sup>th</sup>**

### **Prayer:**

Our God, God of all people. God of heaven and earth, seas and rivers. God of sun and moon, of all the stars. God of high mountain and lowly valley. God over heaven, and in heaven, and under heaven. He has a dwelling in heaven and earth and sea and in all things that are in them. He inspires all things, He enlivens all things. He is over all things, He supports all things. He makes the light of the sun to shine. He surrounds the moon and the stars. He has made wells in the arid earth, placed dry islands in the sea. He has a Son co-eternal with himself and the Holy Spirit breathes in them; Not separate are the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.  
(Patrick c389-461)

### **Matthew 28:18-20 Empowered and Commanded to Mission**

- v. 18 ‘all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me’  
consider: Prv. 8:15, Is. 9:6  
Q – What changed for Jesus?
- v. 19 ‘(having gone), therefore disciple all the nations, baptizing them’  
consider: Ps. 22:27-28, the Trinity: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.  
Q – Who is to go? What is discipling? How do we baptize into 3 names?
- v. 20 ‘teach them to obey (observe) ... I am with you’  
consider: Deut. 5:32, Matt. 7:24-27  
Q – How do we teach people to obey/observe? What part do we “make” them vs. letting people make their own decision?

### **Key themes of these verses to consider:**

1. The Mission of God,
2. Disciple, Baptize and Teach, &
3. God is with us.

### **Prayer:**

Lord, be with us this day, Within us to purify us; Above us to draw us up; Beneath us to sustain us; Before us to lead us; Behind us to restrain us; Around us to protect us.  
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