



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

(PART 4 of 4)

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MARK 16:15 NKJV – (15) And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

Back in March of this year I wrote two meditations on making a difference. I wrote the third in June and now the final one for this year. The theme for all four is [“Make a difference.”](#)

The disciples cannot fulfill the Great Commission under their own power. They need the permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit which they cannot have until Jesus leaves (**JOHN 16:7**). Soon, at Pentecost, in a house in Jerusalem, the Holy Spirit will come (**ACTS 2:1–4**). Disciples who had scattered when guards came to arrest Jesus (**MARK 14:50**) will welcome the chance to go to trial to testify about Jesus (**ACTS 4:1–31**). Brash, impulsive Peter will be the first preacher of the gospel (**ACTS 2:14–41**). And the gospel will spread throughout all the world.

"Proclaim" in the Greek *means* a herald shouting out what needs to be heard. "All" in the Greek means "each and every," or it can mean "some of all types." "Creation" in the Greek can mean anything created or it can mean a foundation or founding a new thing. The point is the disciples are called to preach the truth to the people and places that will start the church.

You might now have been called to the role as a Pastor or such, but if you are a disciple, you can make a difference by letting people know Jesus lives and demonstrating it through everyday application to life. What I'm saying is, [“Make a difference!”](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 TIMOTHY 2:22

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: The best way to make a difference in the world is to make difference in your own life first.