

We've got Good News!



Matthew 28:18–20

18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

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19 **“Go** therefore and **make disciples**
of all the nations, baptizing them in
the name of the Father and the Son
and the Holy Spirit,

20 teaching them to observe all that

I commanded *you*;

and lo, I am with you always, even to
the end of the age.”

If Jesus was called to it,
then so were the apostles.

If the apostles were
called to it, then so are
we.

Bringing Good News is
not for a select few —
it for all of us.

Isaiah 61:1-4

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon

me,

Because the LORD has anointed

me...

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To **bring** good news to the **afflicted**;

*(those who have been humbled by life —
the “poor in spirit”)*

He has sent me to **bind up** the
brokenhearted,

*(stop the bleeding, tend to the wounds
— both emotional and physical)*

To proclaim liberty to **captives**
(innocent who have been taken by force)

And freedom to **prisoners;**
(whether POW's or felons)

**2 To proclaim the favorable year of the
LORD**

(The year of Jubilee)

And the day of **vengeance of our God;**

*(against the demonic forces who held
capture and imprisoned you)*

To comfort all who **mourn,**

*(those who have awakened to the grief
of Paradise Lost)*

3 To **grant** those who mourn *in* Zion,

“To **place** *the mourning ones in the
City of God*”

Giving them a **garland** instead of **ashes**,

*(freedom from the shame and pain of
griefs)*

The oil of **gladness** instead of
mourning,

(An anointing with the oil of Joy)

The mantle of **praise instead of a spirit
of **fainting**.**

*(an opening of the eyes to gratitude and
praise in place of weariness / defeat)*

So they will be called **oaks** of
righteousness,

The **planting** of the LORD,
that **He may be glorified.**

4 Then **they** will rebuild the ancient ruins, **They** will raise up the former devastations; And **they** will repair the ruined cities, The desolations of many generations.

Bringing good News involves
all the ministries of Jesus
— meeting people where
they are in their current
state of being and bringing His
anointing to set them free.

Bringing Good News (not just preaching it) also involves a change of life — which happens when Christ ("the anointed one") is invited in.

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon you, Because the LORD has anointed you To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent you to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, To grant those who mourn in Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called oaks of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.