

Field & Stream Living: Getting Your License

Mt. 28:16-20

Core Practice Associated With: #7 – We are fully persuaded that the gospel is to be spread locally and around the world by every member of the Body of Christ and that it is the duty of the elders and ministers to equip the saints for this work. *Eph. 4:11-13*

Aim: This sermon will focus on the command given to all Christians by Jesus Christ himself to go out and spread the Gospel (Belief and acceptance of the life, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior) to all nations with the purpose of making them disciples not just believers.

Five Steps in Getting Your Field and Stream License

Step #1 – It All Starts With Desire (v. 16-17)

- The idea being presented by this main point is that in order for us to get our license for “Field and Stream Living” then we must have a desire to pursue that lifestyle. This type of living begins and ends with devotion to the Savior.

Step #2 – Recognize that Jesus is the Authority (v. 18)

- The second step is recognizing that a legitimate license comes from Jesus Christ alone and that He has all authority over the heavens and the earth.
 - Jesus alone is the one that you serve

Step #3 – Choose to Pay the Price (v. 18-19)

- There are two aspects associated with this step. In order to truly pay the price of getting a legitimate license then you must first “Accept Jesus as your Savior.” (Believe, Repent, Confess, Be Baptized, Live a Holy Life.)
- Step Two – You must make the conscious choice to carry your cross throughout your life and finish well.

Step #4 – Get Your License (v. 19-20)

- The idea presented here is that as Christian’s we are called to follow the command of Christ and to “Go and make Disciples.” We are not just to bring people to Christ but to help them go beyond just accepting Jesus to being able to present the message of Jesus

Step #5 – Go Out into the Field (v. 19-20)

- The idea presented here is wrapped around the three participles in the Greek that accompany the command to “Make Disciples.”
 - Going, Baptizing, and Teaching
 - We must choose to be out in the field to accomplish the Great Commission and these three participles help us see what we are called to do out in the field.

Memory Verse:

Mt. 28:19-20 – 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, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”