



November 2nd, 2025

Sermon: The Greats | Commission 2

Main text: Mark 16:14-16

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does this story tell me about God?

2. What does this story tell me about people (or about myself)?

3. If this is God's word for my life, how will I obey it?

4. Who am I, going to tell?

Other, Key quotes; points and questions to reflect on and discuss from Ryan's message:

Key Points:

1. Jesus' Authority Comes First (Matthew 28)

The starting point of mission is Jesus' authority—not our strength. "All authority... has been given to me. Therefore, go."

2. Mark's Great Commission Adds Challenge

The "long ending" of Mark (16:9–20) includes signs and bold faith acts that accompany those who believe—not to create fear or confusion, but to inspire deeper dependence on the Spirit.

3. Our Role Matters

We are not just passengers in God's story—we're participants. God invites us to step into His mission with faith, humility, and courage.

4. Gospel Power Is Confirmed Through Obedience

The early disciples' obedience, despite their initial doubt, leads to transformation and the spread of the gospel with signs accompanying.

5. Confession and Worship Prepare Us for Mission

The service includes communal confession and worship songs proclaiming the kingship and worthiness of Jesus, leading hearts to readiness for action.

Key Quotes:

"You were never meant to be a passenger in God's story—you were made to participate."

"Everything rides on His authority... but there is a part we are invited to play."

"It's okay to be stretched—that's where the Holy Spirit often meets us most clearly."

"Confession isn't about shame—it's about clearing the path for mission."

Key Questions from the message:

1. Where do you sense God is inviting you to “go” this week?
(e.g. a conversation, an act of service, a step of courage)
2. How does knowing Jesus has all authority change your response to fear, inadequacy, or doubt?
3. Which part of Mark’s “long ending” challenges or encourages you most—and why?
4. Is there anything you need to “confess” in order to walk in greater alignment with God’s mission?
5. What does it look like to live as a participant in God’s kingdom rather than a passive observer?