



Sunday, January 8, 2017 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

**Message Title:** Live with Purpose

**Message Text:** Matthew 28:18-20

**Introduction:**

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## 1. Our Purpose must be \_\_\_\_\_.

### A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Purpose

**Matthew 16:18** *And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*

Jesus did not \_\_\_\_\_ to build something that would serve no \_\_\_\_\_.

### B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Purpose

Our purpose was given to us by \_\_\_\_\_.

Our Purpose is the \_\_\_\_\_

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**Matthew 28:18–20** *And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.*

**Mark 16:15** *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

**Luke 24:47–49** *And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And ye are witnesses of these things. 49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.*

**John 20:21** *Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.*

**Acts 1:8** *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

### **GBC Official Purpose Statement**

The purpose of this local church shall be: To carry out the Great Commission of Christ (Matt. 28:19-20) both home and abroad. To administer the New Testament ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper. To edify the saints of God through the preaching and teaching of the Word of God as set forth in the Statement of Faith of this church. To earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints (Jude 3). To provide such ministries as to fulfill these purposes which may include, but are not limited to, worship services, evangelistic services, prayer meetings, youth activities, a day school, a Sunday School, a bus ministry, missionary activities, a Bible Institute, college, and/or seminary.

## Our Purpose Statement

To engage in the complete fulfillment of the Great Commission through the power of the Spirit to the glory of God.

## 2. Our Purpose must be \_\_\_\_\_.

### A. Complete \_\_\_\_\_ of the Great Commission

**Statistic:** Kettering has more than 56,000 residents and 51.5% are unaffiliated with any church.

**Quote:** Our commission is not simply “to win souls.” It is to “make disciples”—which includes winning them, bringing them into a Christian fellowship, and building them up in the faith. —Weirsbe

### B. Through the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Spirit

**Acts 1:8** *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you...*

### C. To the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

**Galatians 1:24** *And they glorified God in me.*

## 3. Our Purpose must be \_\_\_\_\_.

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### A. Embrace it \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew—go ye

Mark—go ye

Luke—ye are my witnesses

John—so send I you

Acts—*ye shall be witnesses*

**Quote:** "More men fail through lack of purpose than lack of talent." —Billy Sunday

**B. Embrace it** \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 6:24** *No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.*

No man can serve two purposes wholly.

**Conclusion:**

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**Purpose Thought**

Jesus did not give us a purpose that was not able to be accomplished.

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