



The Church and the Mission of Christ

Christ Sends His Church to Proclaim the Gospel and Make Disciples

The church exists not only to gather in worship, but also to proclaim the Gospel, make disciples, serve others in Christ's name, and bear witness to His Kingdom. Christ forms His people together and sends them outward as faithful ambassadors of His grace and truth.

INSTITUTIONAL MAINTENANCE VS CHRIST'S MISSION

INWARD FOCUS	VS.	CHRIST'S MISSION
Self-Preservation		Gospel Expansion
Religious Routine		Disciple-Making
Passive Attendance		Active Witness
Isolation		Sending
Maintenance		Kingdom Mission
Comfort		Faithful Obedience

The church is not called to maintain itself, but to fulfil the mission of Christ in the world.

HOW CHRIST SENDS HIS CHURCH



KEY SCRIPTURES



Matthew 28:18–20

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded 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."



2 Corinthians 5:20

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."



Romans 10:14–15

"How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"



Matthew 5:13–16

"Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? ... Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

HOW THE CHURCH FULFILLS CHRIST'S MISSION



QUICK COMPARISON

ASPECT	CHRIST'S MISSION
Authority	Christ
Message	The Gospel
Goal	Make disciples
Method	Worship, witness, teaching
Community	Covenant people
Hope	Christ's coming Kingdom

★ KEY TRUTHS

- ✓ Christ sends His church into the world.
- ✓ The Gospel must be proclaimed.
- ✓ Disciple-making is central to the church's mission.
- ✓ Worship and mission belong together.
- ✓ Holiness strengthens witness.
- ✓ The church represents Christ's Kingdom before the nations.

THE BIBLICAL PICTURE



THE BOTTOM LINE

Christ gathers His people in worship and sends them into the world to proclaim the Gospel, make disciples, serve others in love, and bear visible witness to His Kingdom until He comes.



TEACHER NOTE

Use this handout to help learners understand the mission of the church. Emphasize that Christ's mission includes Gospel proclamation, disciple-making, faithful witness, and compassionate service flowing outward from worship and covenant life together.