♦SERMON NOTES **♦**

Sunday, January 28, 2018

"THE 'WHY' OF THE GOSPEL"

(2 Timothy 2:1-13)

God invites you to participate in the greatest, largest, most diverse, and most significant cause in history- His Kingdom. History is His story. He's building His family for eternity. Nothing matters more and nothing will last as long.

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2. We have been called to a	(v. 3-6)
3. We have been motivated by a	(v. 7-13).
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"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..." (Matthew 28:19, NIV).

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8, NIV).

- 1. We have been given a great commission (v. 1-2).
- 2. We have been called to a great commitment (v. 3-6).
- 3. We have been motivated by a great consideration (v. 7-13).

Motivated by the love of Christ

"This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters" (1 John 3:16, CSB).

Motivated by the **Power of God's Word**

"For the word of God is living and effective and sharper than any double-edged sword, penetrating as far as the separation of soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12, CSB).

Motivated by the **Masses**

"Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (2 Corinthians 5:20, ESV).

Motivated by the **Faithfulness of the Father**

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15, ESV).

"In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another" (1 John 4:10-11, ESV).

"There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12, CSB).