**Bible Study**

**Tuesday August 2, 2022**

**Topic THE GREAT COMMISSION - PART 1 (DD567)**

**Bible TEXTS: Matthew 28:18-19, Mark.16:15-18, Isaiah 61: 1-3.**

**Introduction**: The Great Commission is a compulsory assignment for all believers. In this series, we shall be looking at types of evangelism, the practice and approaches of evangelism, and the rewards of evangelism. Types of Evangelism includes (a) Personal Evangelism - Acts 8:26-39, John. 4:5-29. (b) Mass Evangelism. Acts 2:4-47. We shall be studying personal evangelism today.

**1. Misconception about Personal Evangelism**: Some misconceptions about personal evangelism include the followings:

\*It is not giving away tracts or religious booklets or CDs to friends or neighbors.

\*It is not going from house to house to give religious literature to people.

\*It is not inviting an individual to church.

\*It is not speaking to someone about your church or religion.

\*It is not about denomination and creed of the church

**2. What then is Personal Evangelism?** (1) It takes two to evangelize, it is one-on-one dialogue – John 4: 7-14. This means it is a face-to-face approach. (2) It also requires definite action i.e. it requires personal involvement in telling someone about the love of God through His son Jesus. The power needed to do this is that of the Holy Spirit – “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to preach the gospel …” Isaiah 6:1 (3) The instrument required is the Bible (The word of God) & personal experience or the testimonies – Acts 8: 30-34

**3.** **Personal Evangelism is likened to three things**: (1) Catching a fish (2) Winning a bride (3) Catching a city for Jesus Christ - Acts 8: 4-8

**4**. **QUALITIES OF A PERSONAL EVANGELIST:** (1) Must have a separated life and Christ likeness every day. (2) Must have a sound working knowledge of the Holy Bible. (3) Must be a regular and consistent prayer warrior (4) Must have a personal experience of salvation. (5) The fruits of the Spirit must be evident in his life – Galatians 5:16-25