

“The Big DEAL Sermon”

Discipleship without **E**vangelism leads to **A**ntinomianism & **L**egalism

Introduction: From the last sermon by Pastor Brent, we saw that true happiness or blessedness only comes from being a _____ of Jesus Christ who is seeking first the _____ and His _____. (Matthew 5:1-12; 6:33)

Main Points of Today’s Sermon:

Point A: The Gospel (evangelism) must always **P**_____ & **P**_____ Christian discipleship to avoid the dangers of antinomianism and legalism.

Point B: Child evangelism is given as a command and a gift to all of God’s people. It not only brings **S**_____ to children, but it also brings **S**_____ to the adults in the process.

Point A: The Gospel changes our position with God and our perspective regarding priorities.

Matthew 28:16-20 Go and **make disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit **and teaching** them to obey all Christ has commanded.

Questions:

1. If the Gospels record the call and commissioning of the disciples, and Acts records the preaching of the disciples, then which epistles record how to make disciples in the local churches?
2. What other names do the epistles use for the disciples?
3. What does the content of every New Testament epistle have in common?

Conclusion: The Gospel (evangelism) isn’t only for justification; It’s also essential to sanctification.

Point B: One way God has given us to keep the Gospel central in our discipleship and remind us that we are in the family of God is through his command to evangelize children.

John 8:31 Jesus said, “If you abide in my Word then you are truly my disciples.”

John 14:15 Jesus said, “If you love me, keep my commandments.”

Questions:

1. What is the Greatest Commandment and where did Jesus get his answer to that question?
2. How does “The Shema” teach us to love God by keeping his commandments on our hearts?
3. Is the evangelism and discipleship of children mainly a female responsibility?

See: Ephesians 6:4; Matthew 19:1-14; Luke 9:46-48

Conclusion: We must always be proclaiming the Gospel, with godly men setting the example, starting with the evangelism of children.

Application to Consider: Teaching Sunday School is a great way to discipline yourself to make the Gospel a priority and fulfill the Lord’s commands to evangelize children.

- 3 Classrooms (Age 4-6, Age 7-9, Age 10-12); 45 minutes (about 15-25 minutes of teaching) 9:30-10:15
- At least 2 teaching teams per age group so it’s easy to get a sub.
Teams alternate months. 3 months off for family Sunday School April, August, and December. Program starts in January.
- Curriculum is easy to use. Pastor Brent will supply plenty of training.

