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CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF MALAYSIA 2018

The Gospel

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Acts 8:1

¹On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria.



**Those who were
scattered went
about preaching
the word.**

Acts 8:4

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Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Jerusalem church strongly believed that

- Every authority in the universe belongs to Jesus.
- Did not get distracted from their work of disciple making, baptizing, and teaching.
- Jesus is with them in their efforts.

- I. Do we have the same enthusiasm they had?
- II. Do we consider the words that Jesus spoke in Matthew 28:18-20 to be important?

Acts 11:19-26

¹⁹ Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews. ²⁰ Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. ²¹ The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.

i) Focus On Him

Acts 8—10

Acts 10:34

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism

Acts 11:20-21

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Acts 11:22-26

²² News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. ²³ When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. ²⁴ He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

ii) Connect In Him

Acts 11:22-23, 26

“The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose...For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians”

I. What should we do when people respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ?

II. Do we baptize them and then forget about them?

III. Do we move on?

1. Faithful & planned discipling
2. Learning God's unconditional love
3. Live by example
4. Make good use of our resources
5. Continue to share the truth of the Bible
6. Setting up a safe environment
7. Leading young Christians to experience various growth

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