- **f.** 2 Tim. 3:14-4:4 All Scripture is given by God's inspiration and direction.
- g. Jude 2 We must contend for the faith, one and for all given The New Testament.

The early church, the first Christians,

took the saving gospel of Christ into most of the know world in one generation [Col. 1:23]. In less than 70 years, without printed tracts, radio, TV, or the internet, they were motivated by the Love of God, The Love of the Truth, and a Love of the Lost, to establish congregations of the churches of Christ in almost every major city, as well, as many smaller villages and towns.

How much more could we do today with all our available technology and advanced transportation? It requires that we also have such love, devotion and sacrifice to save the lost and build the church. The truth of God's grace, salvation and church is truly worth finding and knowing.

We as members of Christ's church love you. Today you learned about God's plan to build the church and save the lost through this small tract. If you want to know more about the plan of salvation contact below address.

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God had plans made for the church before the foundation of the world [Ephesians 1:4]. God knew how the church could, and would grow, and that it would also require the salvation of the lost. He revealed His plans to the very first disciples of Christ and they followed those plans beginning with the first Pentecost after the resurrection of Jesus from the dead [Acts 2:1-47].

These early Christians followed the pattern as God directed and the church which began in Jerusalem, quickly expanded into Judaea, Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth. Today, if we follow those plans, the gospel will go, and the church will grow, and souls will be saved. [1Peter1:18-20, 1Cor.2:7, 2Tim.1:9 and Titus 1:2]

Primary Texts: Matthew28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16 and Luke 24:44-47

1. "GO YE" - OUR PERSONAL CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY TO TEACH THE TRUTH.

- **a.** 1Corinthians 1:19-20 We must follow God's plan and His wisdom.
- **b.** Acts 8:4 We must go everywhere preaching / teaching the Word.

- **c.** 1Timothy 4:16 We must lean on the doctrine, live the doctrine, and teach the doctrine.
- **d.** 2Timothy 4:2 Preach / Teach the Word, Whether It is well received or rejected.

2. "INTO ALL THE WORLD" – WE MUST UNDERSTAND THAT ALL THE WORLD IS LOST!

- **a.**Eph. 4:17-19 Most in the world are unaware of their dire condition.
- **b.**John 3:16-18– Christ died for all because all are condemned.
- c.Acts 1:6-8 Preach to all the world because all are lost.
- **d.**Acts 8:1-5 We must go everywhere.

3. "TO EVERY CREATURE" – ALL MANKIND. EVERY PERSON -DO NOT PREJUDGE WORTHINESS.

- **a.** Romans 1:16 The gospel is for all nations and people.
- **b.** Acts 10:34-35 God is no respecter of persons every nation.
- **c.** Acts 15:11 Through God's grace all can be saved.
- **d.** James 2:1,5 Do not show respect of persons.
- **e.** 1 Cor. 1:26-29 Many times those we think will be the best candidates are not.

4. "HE THAT BELIEVES AND IS BAPTIZED SHALL BE SAVED" – IT REQUIRES BOTH.

- **a.** Acts 2:37-41, 47 First sermon preached required both and repentance.
- **b.** Acts 8:12, 36-38 When they believed they were baptized.
- **c.** Acts 10:47-48 First of the gentile/nations were commanded to be baptized.
- **d.** Acts 16:14-15 First at Philippi were baptized when they believed
- **e.** Acts 16:31-34 Jailor at Philippi baptized after he believed.
- **f.** Acts 18:8 Many of the Corinthians hearing, believed, and was baptized.
- **g.** Acts 19:1-5 Those taught under John the Baptist, believing was baptized into Christ.
- **h.** Acts 22:16 Saul having been taught was baptized to wash away his sins.

5. "TEACH THEM TO OBSERVE ALL THINGS COMMANDED" - CHRIST MUST BE OBEYED.

- **a.** Hebrews 5: 8-9 Christ is savior to those who obey.
- **b.** Acts 4:11-12 Salvation is only in Christ [John 14:6].
- **c.** Acts 5:29 We are to obey God rather than men.
- **d.** Acts 20: 26-27 We must declare and obey all the council of God.
- **e.** 2 Tim. 2:15 We must study to know what we must observe and obey.