

1. We may imagine their thoughts of being left alone. **V.20b**
2. "...I am (not will be) with you always, even unto the end of the world (age).

- B. **The compliance of the soldiers.**
1. "So they took to the money..." v.15
  2. "...did as they were taught."
  3. The power of a lie is seen in the length of its continuation. The theory of evolution.

### III. The Church Is Given Its Work.

- A. **Jesus gathered His disciples.**
1. They gathered in Galilee. V.16
  2. They gathered at a mountain.
  3. Jesus had made the appointment.
- B. **They held different opinions. V.17**
1. "...they worshipped him"
  2. "...but some doubted = διαταζω = "to stand in two ways," "be uncertain as to which to take."
- C. **He reminds them of His power.**
1. power = εξουσια = "delegated authority," "total free movement" v.18
  2. Jesus didn't have to clear His decisions with anyone.
- D. **His permission and commission.**
1. "As you are going..." v.19a
  2. Jesus knew they were going to be dispersed by Jewish persecution.
  3. They can and must take their Christianity with them. (Son going away)
  4. teach = μαθητευω = "to disciple," "to make a disciple," "to train as a disciple."
  5. nations = εθνος = "the Gentile nations."
- E. **The disciples are to be baptized.**
1. They must be believers. V.19b
  2. They must be immersed.
- F. **They must also be taught.**
1. teaching = διδασκω = "to teach," "to give instruction" "to give direction" v.20a
  2. commanded = εντελλομαι = "to enjoin upon," "to charge with."
- G. **His presence was assured.**



## Jesus And His Disciples After The Resurrection

### **Matthew 28:9-20**

Intro:

- A. **Jesus was laid in a rich man's tomb.**
  - 1. He had been crucified for our sins.
  - 2. He was in the heart of the earth for 3 days.
  - 3. Corruption never touched him.
  
- B. **The grave site of Jesus.**
  - 1. It was visited by women.
  - 2. It was visited by angels.
  - 3. Angels commanded the women.
  - 4. They were filled with fear and joy.

#### I. Looking For His Disciples.

- A. **What a strange task!**
  - 1. He had told them where He would be.
  - 2. It seems they should be gathered at the tomb.
  
- B. **"...as they went..."**
  - 1. They were glad to go. **v.9**
  - 2. Jesus met them, "...all hail"
  - 3. hail = χαίρω = "to joy," "rejoice," "joy to you"
  - 4. "...held him by the feet and worshipped him."
  
- C. **The instruction of Jesus.**
  - 1. "Be not afraid..." φοβεσθαι = "to be terrified"  
**v.10**
  - 2. "go tell my brethren..."
  - 3. "go into Galilee..."
  - 4. "...there they shall see me..."

#### II. The Enemy's Last Plan To Deceive.

- A. **The plan.**
  - 1. The chief priests learned all. **Vs.11-14**
  - 2. They assembled again.
  - 3. They took counsel again.
  - 4. They raised money.
  - 5. They gave the soldiers a story.
  - 6. They entered a conspiracy.