

Series: At the Movies

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## *Lessons from The Forge*

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### **Matthew 28: 18-20**

**<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in<sup>a</sup> the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”**

The book of Matthew chronicles the life of Jesus. We witness his birth, earthly ministry, crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection. By the time we arrive in Matthew 28, Jesus has been resurrected and has instructed the remaining 11 disciples to meet him in Galilee. There he gave them their marching orders, “GO, MAKE DISCIPLES.” A simple command, yet a complex command. Discipleship involves active participation, not only for the person being discipled, but also the disciple maker.

1. Making disciples requires seeing people past who they currently are.
2. Making disciples often requires giving people a second chance.
3. Making disciples requires showing empathy.
4. Making disciples requires transparency.
5. Making disciples doesn't give you a pass to forfeit your responsibilities.

As we disciple others, we must remember that the commission is to make disciples, not miniature replicas of ourselves. The discipleship model has already been laid out for us in scripture; all we have to do is follow the blueprint.

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