3	(because of the	
great a salvation, wh by the Lord, and was Him, [4] God also be	w shall we escape if we neglect so wich at the first began to be spoken confirmed to us by those who heard earing witness both with signs and is miracles, and gifts of the Holy	203
Spirit, according to be MYTH #5. I don't today.	need to be a	
words in this adulter	oever is ashamed of Me and My ous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Mo mes in the glory of His Father with the holy an	
MYTH #6.	people go to heaven.	

all nations, He assured them, "I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (v.20). British scholar F. F. Bruce puts it this way: "He accompanies His agents. He does not energise them by remote control; He is present with them by His Spirit. They work for Him, but He works in them."

Praise the Lord, the Saviour is not only enthroned in heaven, but by God's indwelling Spirit He is also actively at work on earth through His obedient children. As you serve Him today, perhaps in a tough situation, remember, He's not directing you by remote control. By His indwelling presence He is working in your needy world through you. —JEY

The Holy Spirit gives us power
To witness far and wide,
Equipping us to do God's work
And changing us inside. —Sper

God works in you so He can work through you.

## Central Mountains Baptist Church

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#### **Not Remote Control**

I am with you always, even to the end of the age. —Matthew 28:20

Years ago television didn't have remote controls. To turn the TV on or off, to change the channels, or to adjust the volume, you had to leave your chair, go to the set, and get personally involved. Now, through remote controls, your favourite chair is like a distant throne from which you can make your TV do your bidding.

Some people think of Jesus sitting on His heavenly throne and directing His earthly servants from afar. But before He ascended He said to His disciples, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth". (Matthew 28:18). After commissioning them to go and make disciples of





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(Matthew 28:18-20) ... "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. [19] Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.



(Luke 22:36) .., "But now, he who has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a

knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one.

In Luke 10:1-16 Jesus briefs His disciples on a task ahead. In that passage He gives three descriptions of their task:. The task is:

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#### the task), verses 1-2

(Matthew 9:36-38) But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. [37] Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. [38] Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."



(John 20:21) .. As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

MYTH #1. Evangelism is something that I do

(Acts 1:8) But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

7	MYTH #2. I don't have to the g	gospel, I only have to	it.
(V)	(Romans 10:14) How then shall they call on Him	n in whom they have not believe	ed? And
	how shall they believe in Him of whom they have		
(V)	without a preacher?		
	(Mark 16:15) "Go into all the world and preac	th the gospel to every creature.	
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	2 (because o	f the	_ who
3	oppose the task), verse 3		
	(Acts 9:15-16) "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of	of Mine to bear My name before	e Gentiles,
	kings, and the children of Israel. [16] For I will s		
	for My name's sake."		
3	(2 Corinthians 11:24-28) From the Jews five tim	es I received forty stripes minu	s one.
8	[25] Three times I was beaten with rods; once I w	vas stoned; three times I was sh	ipwrecked
3	a night and a day I have been in the deep; [26] in	journeys often, in perils of war	ters, in
	perils of robbers, in perils of my own countrymen		
	city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sec		
	weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hung		
	and nakedness; [28] besides the other things, who	ut comes upon me daily: my dee	p concern
	for all the churches.		
	(Galatians 5:19-21) Now the works of the flesh a		
	fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, [20] idolatry,		ealousies,
	outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions,	heresies, [21] envy, murders,	
	drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which		
	I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you		
	in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.		
	(Acts 2:38) Then Peter said to them,		
	"Repent, and let every one of you be baptized		
	in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission		
	of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the		
	Holy Spirit.		-
	(Acts 17:30) Truly, these times of ignorance		
	God overlooked, but now commands all men		
37	everywhere to repent,		
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,	(Matthew 25:46) And these will go away into eve	erlasting punishment, but the ri	ghteous
	into eternal life."		
	(Mark 9:44) where 'THEIR WORM DOES NOT I	DIE AND THE FIRE IS NOT	
7	QUENCHED.'		
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	(Romans 3:23) for all have sinned and fall short		CI. ·
	(Romans 6:23) For the wages of sin is death, but	t tne gift of God is eternal life i	n Christ
	Jesus our Lord.	.1 .1 7 17 11 1	
	(Romans 10:9) that if you confess with your mou	ith the Lord Jesus and believe i	n your
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