Four Alls Of The Great Commission Matthew 28:18-20

All Authority

Till this time Christ did not claim to have all or complete authority

No one baptized or prayed in the name of Christ

Kinds of authority - Originates with God - Primary; Delegated; Usurped

Have proper authority for religious unity - Matthew 17:5; Ephesians 1:22-23

Denominationalism is a result of lack of proper authority

The authority of Christ permits Him to:

Give a better covenant - Hebrews 8:6

Judge - Matthew 25:32; John 12:48

Build His church

To organize and name it as it pleases Him; To offer salvation in His church; To stipulate requirements to obtain benefits of His church

To establish church with different government & name and offer salvation on different terms, need delegated authority from Christ

Christ does not delegate authority for things contrary to His will

Christ's authority is from God

Acts 3:22-24 (Deuteronomy 18:18-19); John 5:19; 7:16; 8:28; 12:49; 14:24; 2Peter 1:16-18; Hebrews 1:1-2

Does God give Christ authority to give contradictory commands? - Titus 1:2

If Christ has all authority, there is no authority left for anyone else

All Nations

Red, Yellow, Black, White all nations to be taught - Acts 10:34-35; James 2:1

The Old Testament was to Jews only

The limited commission was to the Jews only - Matthew 10:5-6

Christ removed that distinction - Ephesians 2:14

All nations are under authority of Christ - Daniel 7:13-14; Ephesians 2:19-22

Apostles witnessed to uttermost part of the earth - Acts 1:8

Gospel was preached to every creature - Colossians 1:6,23

All Things

Does not do any good to obey commands if they are not Christ's

Take all the commands, not just one or two

Titus 2:10; Revelation 22:18-19; 2John 9; Romans 16:17; Galatians 1:8-9

Apostles to teach all nations; baptized are to do the same - 2Timothy 2:2

Always

First, Christ reigns from His ascension to the end of time.

Christ does not desert us -- we desert him - 2Corinthians 5:18-19

Christ is continually with His own

Shepherd of your souls - John 10:14-15

In time of temptation - 1Corinthians 10:13

In worship - Matthew 26:29; 18:20

Mediator - 1Timothy 2:5

Author of your salvation - Hebrews 2:10

Is Christ with people who do not obey His will?

Two Regarding Christ, Two For Christians

Christ is doing His part, are you doing yours?

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