



The Great Commission

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δύναμις (dunamis)

John 19:8-11: 8 When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid, 9 and he went back inside the palace. “Where do you come from?” he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer. 10 “Do you refuse to speak to me?” Pilate said. “Don’t you realize I have [exousia] either to free you or [exousia] to crucify you?” 11 Jesus answered, “You would have no power [exousia] over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.”

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Matthew 9:9-13: 9 As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector’s booth. “Follow me,” he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. 10 While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew’s house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” 12 On hearing this, Jesus said, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. 13 But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

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John 1:1, 14: 1 In the beginning was the Word [Logos], and the Word [Logos] was with God, and the Word [Logos] was God.... 14 The Word [Logos] became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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