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THE UNLEASHING

MODULE 1 — LIVING THE GREAT COMMISSION

Where Following Jesus Becomes Bringing Others to Jesus

Module Overview

For three pathways, God has been preparing you for this moment.

In **THE SPARK**, you discovered the incredible gift of God's grace and began a relationship with Jesus Christ.

In **THE EMBERS**, your faith matured as you learned to walk with Christ through prayer, Scripture, worship, and spiritual disciplines.

In **THE IGNITION**, you were equipped through the Holy Spirit to serve, lead, discover your spiritual gifts, and live missionally every day.

Now, you arrive at **THE UNLEASHING**.

This is not the end of your discipleship journey.

It is the beginning of your disciple-making journey.

Jesus never intended for His followers to simply gather information or attend church services. From the very beginning, His invitation was clear:

"Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."
— Matthew 4:19

Following Jesus has always included helping others follow Him.

The Great Commission was never given only to pastors, missionaries, or church leaders.

It was given to every disciple.

That includes you.

Every believer has a mission field.

For some, it may be across the world.

For many, it begins across the street.

God has already placed people in your life who need hope, encouragement, truth, and the love of Christ.

Your mission is not to force conversations or convince people through arguments.

Your mission is to faithfully love people, live like Jesus, and be ready to share the hope you have whenever God opens the door.

John Wesley understood this deeply. He believed that Christianity was "a religion of the heart" that naturally overflowed into acts of mercy, evangelism, and disciple-making. He challenged believers to take the Gospel beyond church buildings into homes, workplaces, prisons, fields, and communities.

His famous declaration still inspires believers today:

"The world is my parish."

That same mission continues today.

As followers of Christ, the world becomes our mission field.

Wherever God sends us...

We go.

Learning Objectives

By the end of Module 1 you will:

- Understand the biblical meaning of the Great Commission.
- Recognize that every believer is called to live on mission.
- Learn to build authentic Gospel-centered relationships.
- Gain confidence in sharing your faith naturally.
- Begin seeing everyday life as God's mission field.

LESSON 1 — THE GREAT COMMISSION

Theme

Jesus' final command became our lifelong mission.

Key Scriptures

- Matthew 28:18–20
 - Mark 16:15
 - Acts 1:8
 - John 20:21
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Big Idea

The Great Commission is not a suggestion.

It is the mission of every follower of Jesus.

Introduction

Just before returning to Heaven, Jesus gathered His disciples together.

He could have spoken about many things.

Instead, He left them with one clear assignment.

Go.

Make disciples.

Teach them.

Baptize them.

Walk beside them.

Help them follow Me.

Those words were never intended for only the eleven disciples standing before Him.

They have been passed from one generation of believers to the next for over two thousand years.

Now they have reached you.

The Great Commission isn't about filling church buildings.

It is about filling the world with followers of Jesus.

Disciples who make disciples.

People transformed by Christ who help transform others through His love.

What Does the Great Commission Mean?

Jesus calls us to:

- Go intentionally.
- Love people genuinely.
- Share the Gospel faithfully.
- Help people grow spiritually.
- Continue making disciples who make disciples.

Notice that Jesus didn't simply say "make converts."

He said:

Make disciples.

Discipleship is a lifelong journey.

It begins with salvation.

It continues through spiritual growth.

It multiplies through helping others follow Jesus.

Reflection

1. What does the Great Commission mean to you personally?
 2. How have others helped you become a disciple?
 3. Where might God be inviting you to begin living on mission?
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Weekly Challenge

Read Matthew 28:18–20 every day this week.

Pray:

"Lord, show me where You're already working and help me join You."

Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Thank You for inviting me into Your mission. Open my eyes to the people around me who need Your love. Give me courage to faithfully follow wherever You lead.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations..."

— Matthew 28:19

LESSON 2 — LIVING AS A MISSIONARY WHEREVER YOU ARE

Theme

Your mission field begins where God has already placed you.

Key Scriptures

- Acts 17:26–27
 - Matthew 5:13–16
 - Colossians 4:5–6
 - Jeremiah 29:7
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Big Idea

You don't have to go somewhere else to live on mission.

Mission begins where you are.

Introduction

When many people hear the word missionary, they imagine someone traveling overseas.

While God certainly calls some people to international missions, every Christian is called to be a missionary.

Your neighborhood.

Your workplace.

Your school.

Your family.

Your favorite coffee shop.

These are all mission fields.

God has strategically placed you where you are.

The people around you are not interruptions.

They are opportunities.

Mission begins by seeing people the way Jesus sees them.

Seeing People Through God's Eyes

Ask yourself each day:

- Who needs encouragement?
- Who needs hope?
- Who feels forgotten?
- Who needs someone to simply listen?

Often the greatest ministry begins with simply noticing people.

Reflection

1. Who has God placed in your everyday life?
 2. Where do you naturally interact with people?
 3. How could you become more intentional this week?
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Weekly Challenge

Walk through your neighborhood or workplace praying silently for every person you encounter.

Ask God to help you see your mission field differently.

Prayer

Father,

Help me recognize the opportunities You've already placed around me. Teach me to love people as Jesus loves them.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"You are the light of the world."

— Matthew 5:14

LESSON 3 — BUILDING AUTHENTIC RELATIONSHIPS

Theme

People are more likely to hear the Gospel from someone who genuinely loves them.

Key Scriptures

- John 13:34–35
 - Luke 19:1–10
 - 1 Thessalonians 2:8
 - Romans 12:9–13
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Big Idea

Relationships create opportunities for discipleship.

Introduction

Jesus rarely hurried.

He spent time with people.

He shared meals.

He listened.

He showed compassion.

He earned trust.

Only then did He invite people to follow Him.

People don't want to become projects.

They want authentic friendships.

Our goal isn't to "win arguments."

Our goal is to love people well.

As trust grows, opportunities to talk about Jesus often come naturally.

Building Gospel Relationships

Healthy relationships include:

- Listening more than speaking.
- Showing genuine interest.
- Serving without expecting anything in return.
- Being dependable.
- Celebrating with others.
- Walking with people through difficult seasons.

Love opens doors that arguments often cannot.

Reflection

1. Which relationships is God asking you to invest in?

2. How well do you listen?
 3. How can you demonstrate Christ's love this week?
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Weekly Challenge

Invite someone to coffee, lunch, or simply spend intentional time with them.

Focus on listening.

Pray for them afterward.

Prayer

Lord,

Teach me to love people without conditions. Help me build authentic relationships that reflect Your heart.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another."

— John 13:35

LESSON 4 — SHARING YOUR FAITH NATURALLY

Theme

Sharing your faith is simply telling others what Jesus has done in your life.

Key Scriptures

- 1 Peter 3:15
 - Romans 1:16
 - Acts 26
 - John 4:28–30, 39
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Big Idea

You don't have to be an expert to share your story.

You simply need to be faithful.

Introduction

One of the greatest fears Christians have is sharing their faith.

"What if I don't know enough?"

"What if they ask a question I can't answer?"

"What if they reject me?"

The good news is this:

Jesus never asked us to know everything.

He asked us to be His witnesses.

A witness simply tells what they have seen and experienced.

Your testimony is powerful because it is personal.

No one can argue with what Christ has done in your life.

Sometimes the most effective evangelism sounds like this:

"This is who I was."

"This is how I met Jesus."

"This is how He's changing my life."

Trust the Holy Spirit to do what only He can do.

Your job is to plant seeds.

God brings the harvest.

Practical Steps

When opportunities arise:

- Listen first.
- Pray silently.
- Share your story honestly.
- Keep Jesus at the center.
- Speak with humility.
- Leave the results to God.

Faithfulness is success.

Reflection

1. Could you explain your faith story in three minutes?
 2. What difference has Jesus made in your life?
 3. Who might God be preparing for a spiritual conversation?
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Weekly Challenge

Write your personal testimony using three simple sections:

- My life before Jesus.
- How I came to trust Christ.
- How Jesus is changing my life today.

Practice sharing it in three minutes.

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Give me courage to speak when You open the door. Fill me with love, wisdom, and compassion so others may see Jesus through my life and hear the hope found in Him.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

Memory Verse

"Always be prepared to give an answer... for the hope that you have."

— 1 Peter 3:15

Module 1 Wrap-Up

The Great Commission is not simply something Jesus commanded.

It is something He invites us to join.

Throughout this module, you've discovered that every believer is called to live on mission. You've learned that your mission field begins where God has already placed you, that authentic relationships are the foundation for sharing the Gospel, and that your personal story of God's grace can become a powerful testimony of His love.

Remember, success is not measured by how many people respond—it is measured by your faithfulness to love, serve, and point others to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is the One who changes hearts. Our responsibility is to be available, obedient, and willing to follow His leading.

As you continue your journey through **THE UNLEASHING**, you'll move from understanding the mission to multiplying it.

Up Next: Module 2 — *Discipleship That Multiplies*

You'll discover how to intentionally invest in others, mentor new believers, and help create a multiplying movement of disciples who make disciples—just as Jesus intended from the very beginning.