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Message Series: What Matters Most

Today's Message: Go - Make Disciples... or Bust

"Bust" – Idea of "one will do everything possible to get somewhere"

Matthew 28: 19, 20 "All power is given unto Me...Therefore go and make disciples".

## **Crucial Questions:**

1. <u>What would be involved</u> in a missionary <u>encounter</u> between the <u>gospel</u> and this <u>whole way</u> of <u>perceiving</u>, <u>thinking</u> and <u>living</u> that we call "<u>modern Western culture</u>"? – Newbigin

2. "How can we talk to others about Jesus to those who are so far removed from Christianity?"

<u>Cultural Apologetics</u> – the <u>work</u> of establishing the <u>Christian voice</u>, <u>conscience</u>, and <u>imagination</u> so that <u>Christianity</u> is <u>seen</u> as <u>true</u> and <u>satisfying</u>.

## **Gospel Essential Elements:**

- 1. God's Kingdom is Here Mark 1:14-17
- 2. Repent of sin
- 3. Believe the gospel
- 4. Follow Jesus. Mark 8:27-31
- 5. Jesus is the Christ. Christ will be killed. He will rise again in three days

## **Resurrecting Relevance: Filling Life's Emptiness**

Paul: Philippians 4: 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 19

- 1. Resurrect Joy and Delight in Christ. Romans 8:31, 32, 35, 37 39
- 2. Resurrect Hope that Lasts
- 3. Reflect the Truth, Beauty, and Goodness of Christianity. Christianity is Desirable

<u>Paul on Mars Hill: Acts 17:16</u> <u>Acts 17:22, 23</u>

Paul did his homework – <u>"he walked around,"</u> Paul <u>examined</u> the culture to reach the people with the gospel.

Paul showed them that the  $\underline{God}$  they worshipped as " $\underline{unknown}$ " – was actually  $\underline{true}$  and knowable.

Acts 17:30, 31 Paul started building a bridge to the gospel.