

# 21—Evangelism

“What We Believe”

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“We believe that seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, and that the end of all things is at hand, the redeemed children of the Lord Jehovah should rise and shine forth as a light that cannot be hid, a city set upon a hill,<sup>1</sup> speeding forth the gospel to the ends of the earth, girding the globe with the message of salvation,<sup>2</sup> declaring with burning zeal and earnestness the whole counsel of God<sup>3</sup> that when the Lord of Glory shall appear, they shall be found standing, with their loins girded about with truth,<sup>4</sup> their activities and ministry laden down with the wealth of jewels they have won and guarded for Him, the precious souls,<sup>5</sup> whom, by their faithful testimony they have been instrumental in leading from darkness into light;<sup>6</sup> that soul winning is the one big business of the Church upon earth;<sup>7</sup> and that therefore every weight and hindrance which would tend to quench the flame or hamper the efficiency of world-wide evangelism should be cut off and cast away as unworthy of the Church,<sup>8</sup> detrimental to the most sacred cause of Christ and contrary to the great commission by our Lord.”<sup>9</sup>—*Compiled by A. S. McPherson*

1. Matthew 5:14

*“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden.”*

2. Mark 16:15

*“Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.”*

3. 2 Timothy 4:1-2

*In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.*

4. Ephesians 6:14

*Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness. (NKJV)*

5. 1 Thessalonians 2:19  
*For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you?*
6. Acts 26:17-18  
*"I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me."*
7. James 5:20  
*Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.*
8. Hebrews 12:1-2  
*Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.*
9. Matthew 28:19-20  
*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.*