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MATTHEW 28:18-20 NIV





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Who is the **great commission** for?



Acts.



The Spirit's Conviction & Direction

ACTS 16:1-10 NIV





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ACTS 16:1-5 NIV



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ACTS 16:6-10 NIV



PAUL'S SECOND MISSIONARY JOURNEY

“Paul came to Derbe and then to Lystra”



“Patrick reinterpreted his trauma as a call to love his enemies.”

- JONATHAN BARDON, A HISTORY OF IRELAND

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⁵ Then some of the believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees stood up and said, **“The Gentiles must be circumcised** and required to keep the law of Moses.”

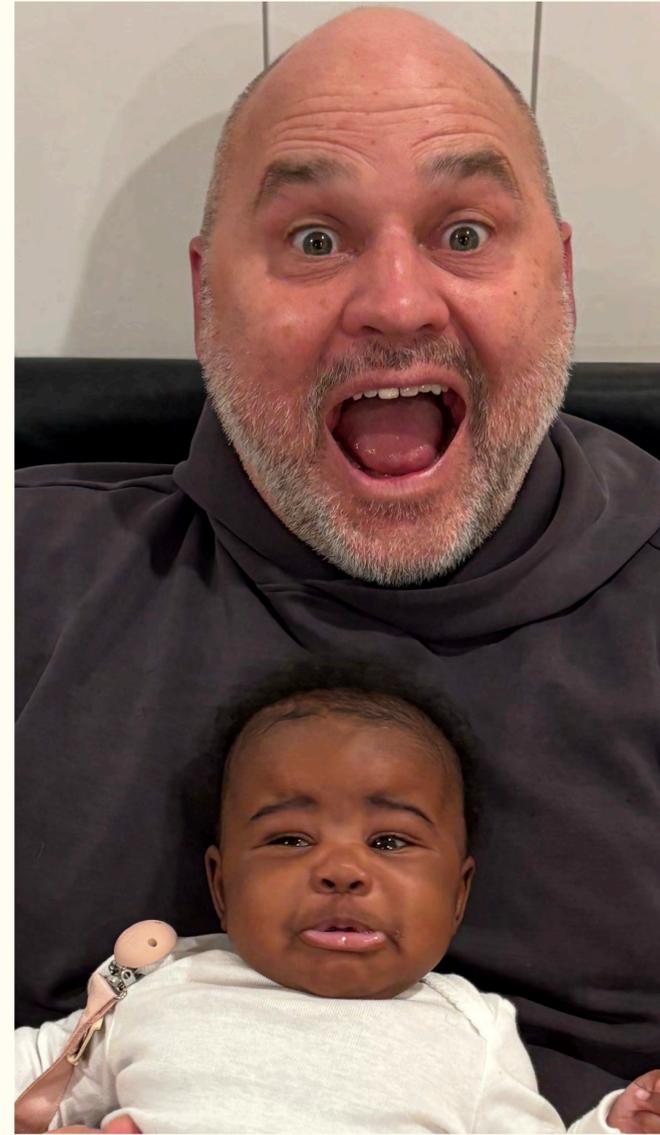
¹¹ **No!** We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are.”

ACTS 15:5,11 NIV

Paul wanted to take him along on the journey, so **he circumcised him because of the Jews** who lived in that area, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

ACTS 16:3 NIV

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Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible.²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law.²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law.²² To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some.²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-23 NIV

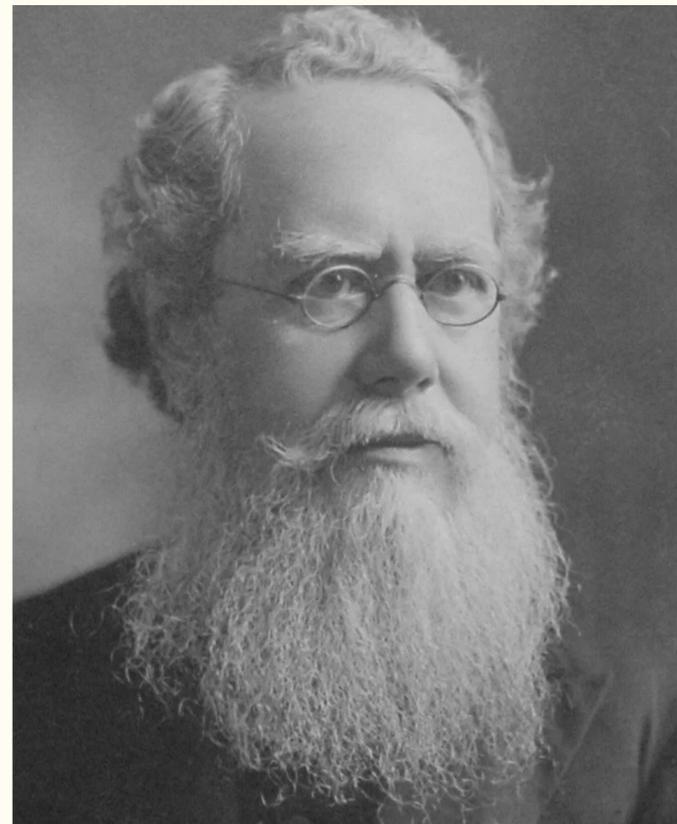


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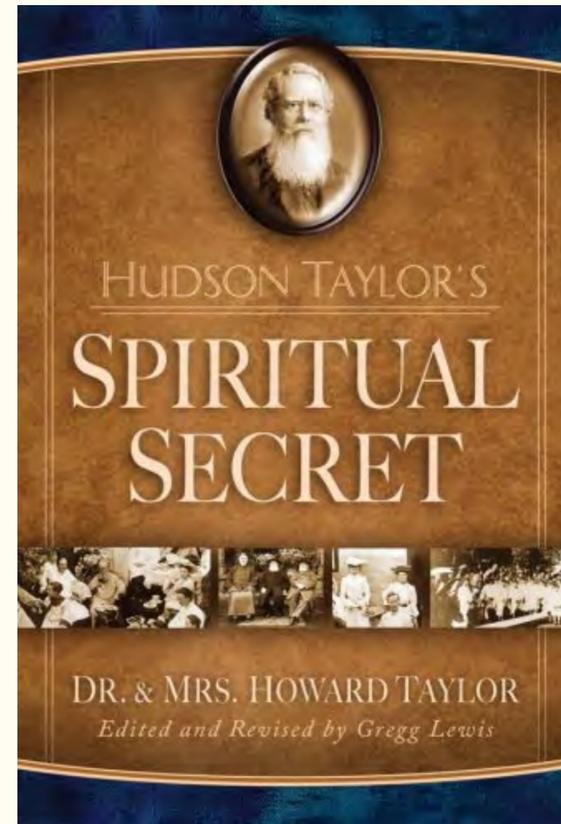
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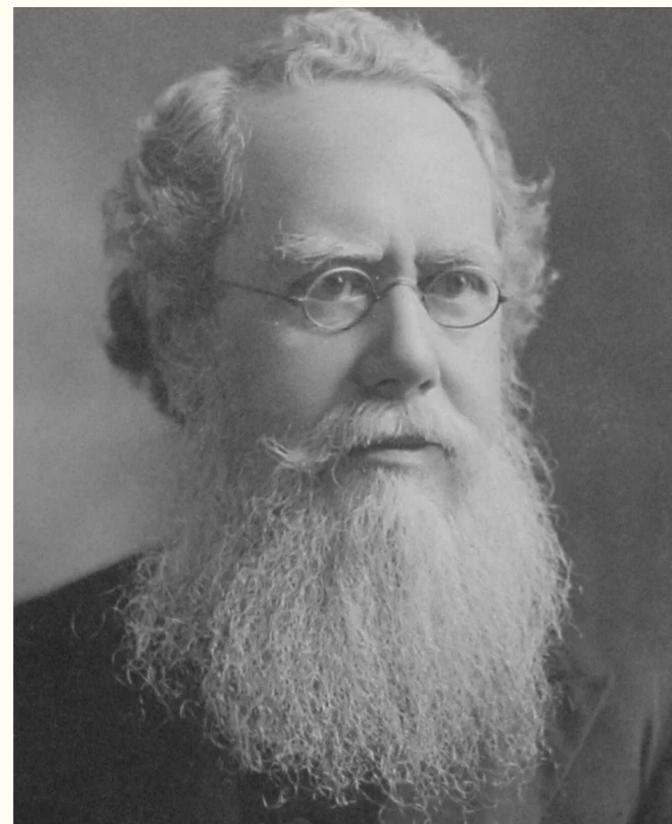
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What are you **willing to sacrifice** in order to win others to Christ?





~~“In order to”~~ → “because”





What I Do → **Who I Am** → **What God Does** → **Who God Is**





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ACTS 16:6-10 NIV

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→ For His glory



How does the Lord **direct** us?

- For His glory
- For the good of others



How does the Lord **direct** us?

- For His glory
- For the good of others
- His Spirit through His Word



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- His Spirit through His Word
- His Spirit through people
- His Spirit through very personal ways
(dreams, visions, circumstances)

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“He seemed to hear the people he had known in Ireland calling in one voice, ‘we beg you, holy boy, to come and walk among us once again.’”

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Holy Spirit, **convict me** of what I need to sacrifice in order to win others to Christ.

Holy Spirit, **direct me** to those who need to know Jesus.