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"Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, unto a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, '<u>All power (Authority) is given unto Me in heaven and on earth</u>.' therefore, go you and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, **Io**, <u>I am with you always</u>, (even) until the End of the Age. Amen." (Matthew 28:16-20)

The Great Commission: Verses 18-20 are commonly known as the <u>the Great Commission</u> of Jesus to His disciples.

I Am With You: from the Greek words <u>ego meth hymon eimi</u> which means: I with you am; or <u>I am with you</u>; refers to Jesus being with His disciples, and all His followers always throughout the age <u>of the **Great Commission**</u>.

Always: from the Greek words *pasas tas hemeras* which mean: all the days; or <u>always</u>; again, Jesus <u>will always be</u> with His disciples throughout the age <u>of the **Great Commission**</u>.

The End of The Age: from the Greek words <u>heos tes synteleias tou aionos</u> which mean: until the completion of-the age; <u>the consummation of the age</u>; or the end of the age. In context: the age which encompasses the 'going out and teaching all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. With the consummation, or ending, of this age being near to, or at the completion of the 'Great Commission' age. Jesus will be with them, and us, throughout this age; and certainly beyond this age into the next Eternal age within His Kingdom.

Jesus spoke these final departing words to His disciples; words very similar meaning to the Great Commission in Matthew 28:20:

"When they therefore had come together, they asked Him, saying, 'Lord, will You at this time restore again the Kingdom to Israel?' And He (Jesus) said unto them, 'It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father has put in His own power. But you shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when He had spoken these things, while they beheld, He was taken up; and a cloud received Him out of their sight." (Acts 1:6-9)

If Jesus ascended into Heaven, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father, How can He be with us always? Please consider the following promises from Jesus:

"Believe Me that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me; or else believe Me for the very works' (miracles) sake. <u>Truly, truly</u>, I say unto you, He who believes on Me, <u>the works that I</u> <u>do shall he do also</u>; and greater works than these shall he do; <u>because I go unto My Father</u>. And whatever you shall ask in My Name, <u>that will I do</u>, so that the Father may be Glorified in the Son. <u>If you shall ask any thing in My Name</u>, <u>I will do it</u>. If you love Me, then keep My commandments; and I will pray to the Father, and He shall give you another **Comforter** (or Helper), so that <u>He may abide with you forever</u>; even <u>the Spirit of Truth</u>; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees Him not, nor knows Him; but you know Him; for <u>He dwells</u> with you, <u>and shall be in you</u>. I will not leave you as orphans (i.e. without parental guidance); I will <u>come to you</u>! Yet a little while, and the world sees me no more; but you see me: because I live, you shall live also." (John 14:11-18)

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Jesus will be with us always through His Spirit who abides in us! Please also consider the following promises from Jesus:

"Jesus answered and said unto him, 'If a man loves Me, he will keep My words; and **My Father will love him, and <u>We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him</u>. He who does not love Me does not keep not My sayings; and the word which you hear is not Mine, <u>but the Father's</u> who sent Me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. <u>But the Comforter (the Helper), who is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My</u> <u>Name, He shall teach you all things</u>, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you**: not as the world gives, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be afraid</u>. You have heard how I said unto you, <u>I go away</u>, and come again unto you. If you loved Me, you would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father; for My Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, so that, when it is come to pass, **you might believe**." (John 14:23-29)

"But when **the Comforter has come**, whom <u>I will send unto you from the Father</u>, even **the Spirit of Truth**, <u>who proceeds from the Father</u>, <u>He shall testify of Me</u>. And you also shall bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning." (John 15:26)

"But now <u>I go My way to Him (the Father) who sent Me</u>; and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow has filled your heart. But I tell you the truth; <u>It is expedient for you that I go away</u>; for if I do not go away, <u>the</u> <u>Comforter will not come unto you</u>; but if I depart, <u>I will send Him unto you</u>. And when He has come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." (John 16:5-8)

"I have yet many things to say unto you, <u>but you cannot bear them now</u>. When **He, the Spirit of Truth**, has come, **He will guide you into all Truth**; for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatever He shall hear, that He shall speak; <u>and He will show you things to come</u>. He shall glorify Me; for He shall receive of Mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He shall take of Mine, and shall show it unto you." (John 16:13-15)

The fulfillment of these words of Jesus began as follows:

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marveled, saving one to another, 'Behold, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?' But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, 'You men of Judea, and all you who dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words; for they are not drunken, as you suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, 'I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; and on My servants and on My handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they shall prophesy." (see Acts 2:1-8; ... 14-18) (quote is from Joel 2:28-32)

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The coming of the indwelling of God's Holy Spirit into someone, happens as spoken by Peter as he continued to speak; please consider the following:

"Now when they heard this, they were pierced in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, 'Men and brethren, <u>what shall we do</u>?' Then Peter said unto them, '**Repent**, and be baptized <u>every one of you in the Name of Jesus Christ</u> for <u>the remission of sins</u>, and <u>you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit</u>. For <u>the Promise is unto you, and</u> <u>to your children, and to all who are afar off</u>, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And <u>with many other words did he (Peter)</u> <u>testify and exhort</u>, saying, <u>Save yourselves from this perverse generation</u>. Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. And they <u>continued</u> <u>steadfastly</u> in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. <u>And fear (fearful awe) came upon every soul</u>; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. And all who believed were together, <u>and had all things common</u>."

Jesus said, 'Lo, I am with you always, (even) until the End of the Age. Amen-Truly!" Speaking of the actual coming of the end of this age, Jesus said:

"This gospel (good news) of the Kingdom (of God) **shall be preached in all the world (all the 'earth')** <u>as a witness unto all nations;</u> and <u>then shall the End come</u>." (Matthew 24:14)

This prophetic word of Jesus was spoken within the context of other prophetic last days events spoken by Jesus; some of which are shared below:

"And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; **see that you are not troubled**; for all these things must come to pass, <u>but the end is not yet</u>. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are <u>the beginning</u> of sorrows. Then they shall deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you; and <u>you shall be hated by all nations</u> for My name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And <u>because iniquity shall abound</u>, <u>the love of many shall wax cold</u>. But he who shall endure <u>unto the end</u>, the same shall be saved." (<u>Matthew 24:6-13</u>)

Through all these last days events, Remember this promise of Jesus: "Lo, I am with you always, (even) until the End of the Age. Amen-Truly!"

Jesus is With Us Always Even to the End of the Age

It was expedient <u>for us</u> that Jesus ascended into Heaven at the Father's Right Hand ! So that His omnipresent Spirit, the Comforter, could abide in <u>each</u> believer !

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - thank You for making Your abode <u>with us</u> !!! Thank You for <u>saving us</u> from this current perverse generation !! Thank You for your Peace, and Comfort, and Help, and Guidance through each day !

Jesus said, "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abides in the vine; so neither can you, <u>except you abide in Me</u>. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, the same brings forth much fruit; for without Me (without Jesus) you can do nothing." (John 15:4-5)