

GOD'S PASSION FOR YOU

**“For God so loved the world
that He gave His only begotten
Son that whoever believes in
Him should not perish but have
everlasting life.”**

I. HOW TO SETTLE YOUR ETERNAL DESTINY.

A. Acknowledge God's great
passion.

“God so loved the world...”

“God showed how much He loved us by sending His only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through Him. This is real love. He sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.”

“May you be able to feel and understand...how long, how wide, how deep, and how high God’s love really is and experience this love for yourselves...” Eph 3:18-19

B. APPRECIATE GOD'S GREAT PRESENT.

**“...that He gave His only begotten
Son...”**

“When we were unable to help ourselves at the moment of our need Christ died for us although we were living against God.” Romans 5:6

“All have sinned...”

**“My God, My God, why have You
forsaken Me.”**

C. ACCEPT GOD'S GREAT PROPOSAL.

**“..that whosoever believes in
Him should not perish.”**

“The free gift of eternal salvation [notice it’s a free gift. That’s the present] is offered to everyone.”

“What a God we have! Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we’ve been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven, and the future starts now!” 1 Peter 1:3-4 (Mes)

II. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF EVERY LOCAL CHURCH?

A. THE GREAT COMMISSION IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH.

1. **These were Jesus' last words.**
2. **New Testament repeats these words five times.**

2. FOUR IRREFUTABLE ELEMENTS IN THE GREAT COMMISSION

A. First, It is Intended as a
Lifestyle for Every Christian.

B. Includes Evangelism.

**C. Includes Building Christians
All the Way to Maturity.**

**D. Includes Reaching the Entire
World.**

**III. THE GREAT COMMISSION
HAS BECOME THE GREAT
OMISSION!**

1 Samuel 15

A. Is Partial Obedience Still Obedience? . . . Or is it Disobedience?

Principle: Partial Obedience = Dis-Obedience!

**B. But What Does This
Principle Have to Do With
the Great Commission?**