- ➤ God confused the languages & dispersed the people → Gen 11:9 ESV Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.
- God would bless all the families of the earth → Gen 12:2-3 ESV And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."
- ➤ The ultimate picture of that → Rev 7:9 ESV After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,
- The end will not come until this → Mat 24:14 ESV And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations [ETHNE PIC], and then the end will come.
- ➤ His method → Mat 28:18-20 ESV And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The only direct command within the great commission is "make disciples."

- (Lamsa NT) Go, therefore, and convert all nations;...
- (ISV) Therefore, as you go, disciple people in all nations,...
- (GNB) Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and *make them my disciples*:...
- (ERV) So go and *make followers of all people* in the world....
- (TS2009) "Therefore, go and make taught ones of all the nations,...

Go, Baptize, and Teach to obey describes the process

find people who are NOT FOLLOWERS of Jesus and teach them to BECOME FOLLOWERS of Jesus

- Going → assumes a journey (all authority) → or to order your life [thayer] to be able to do this
- **Baptizing** → <u>assumes evangelism</u>, repentance and forgiveness of sins is proclaimed
- Teaching to obey → assumes multiplication → ie his command is to go and make disciples

How Can I Make Disciples?

- Become intentional → what must I do to order my life differently so I can make disciples?
- Learn to share the gospel → how can I be trained to share the gospel with others? (no outsourcing)
- Teach someone what you know → Duckling Discipleship

Three-Legged Stool -- S.O.S. Study Obey Share

Ezr 7:10 ESV For Ezra had set his heart to **study** the Law of the LORD, and **to do it** and **to teach** his statutes and rules in Israel. (he had a "three-legged")

- Study -- Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- Do -- 1Co 11:1 ESV Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.
- **Teach** -- 2Ti 2:2 ESV and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to *faithful men* who will be able to **teach others also**.