

Ordinary To Extraordinary

Matthew 28:16-20

Show picture of Rosa Parks and begin telling her story.

And then it happened, the doors opened, another rider got on and she was asked to move. Not because this new bus rider was handicapped or elderly but because their skin color was white and hers was black.

In that moment Rosa Parks made a decision that she was going to do something different....something that might change things. She was not going to move. She made no speeches on the bus, she did not scream or yell, she did not rail against the unjust Jim Crow laws of the South, she just didn't move.

Some say that act was the trigger that finally allowed for segregation to be finally addressed in this country and it all began when one person decided to do the right thing. Her actions changed the world for hundreds of thousands of people.

- Let me ask you something this morning; have you ever considered the possibility that you could be a world changer?!!
 - Lets look at Matthew 28:16-20
- What we just read is the kind of stuff that changes the world for individuals, for families, for cities forever!! And you and I are called to be a part of it.
- The question is, are you a part of it?? Or are you standing on the sidelines?? Today you can decide to be the person that changes the world in a moment for someone, or you can choose to do nothing, to stand on the bus off to the side and look away. My prayer is that you will decide to do something what you hear this morning.

1. Jesus has called you to GO and make disciples. Matthew 28:19 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.
 2. Jesus has called you to those who don't know the truth. Matthew 28:20; "And teach them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
 3. God did not send you alone. He has provided the Holy Spirit. Acts 1:8; "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
- Rosa Parks was not an extraordinary woman; she was just like anyone of us. But she came to the place that she could no longer accept that what was taking place was acceptable. This is what she said of that day: "People always say that I didn't I didn't give up my seat because I was tired, but that isn't true. I was not tired physically, or no more tired than I usually was at the end of a workday. I was not old, although some people have an image of me as being old then. I was 42. NO, the only tired I was, was tired of giving in."
 - Are you ready to stop giving in to whatever keeps you from becoming a part of the Great Commission? You can be a part of changing the world and the first step is deciding to let Jesus begin to change you!!!
 - You may not know what that looks like, but something in your heart may be telling you that it is time to stop setting back and time to get involved in what He is Doing!!!!