

Our Divine Commission

I. The Divine Commission According to The Heavenly Vision

Acts 26:19b

...I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision,

II. The Contents of Our Commission

Acts 26:17-18

17 Delivering you from the people and from the Gentiles, to whom I send you.

18 To open their eyes, to turn *them* from darkness to light and *from* the authority of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.

A. To Open Their Eyes

Acts 26:16

But rise up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this *purpose*, to appoint you as a minister and a witness both of the things in which **you have seen Me** and of the things in which **I will appear to you;**

Acts 22:15

For you will be a witness to Him unto all men of **the things which you have seen and heard.**

Luke 15:8

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one silver coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek carefully until she finds *it*?

B. To Turn Them from Darkness to Light

John 8:12

Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall by no means walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

1 John 1:7a, 9a

7a But if we walk in the light...we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.

9a If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us...

Psalms 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet / And a light to my path.

Psalms 119:130

The opening of Your words gives light, / Imparting understanding to the simple

C. To Turn Them from the Authority of Satan to God

Matthew 12:26

And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand?

1 John 1:5b

...God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

D. To Receive the Forgiveness of Sins

Acts 10:43

To this One all the prophets testify that through His name everyone who believes into Him will receive forgiveness of sins.

Psalms 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to You, And I did not cover my iniquity. I said, I will confess my transgressions to Jehovah. Then you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

E. To Receive an Inheritance among Those Who Have Been Sanctified by Faith in Him

Colossians 2:9

For in Him dwells all the fulness of the Godhead bodily,

Colossians 1:12

Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you for a share of the allotted portion of the saints in the light;

Romans 8:23a

And not only so, but we ourselves also, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit...

Ephesians 1:13b-14a

13b ...you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise,

14a Who is the pledge of our inheritance...

2 Timothy 2:22

But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.