

The Message • Pastor Ron Smith

The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.” Amen.



The Truth

Mark 16:15 And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.”



The Truth

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me **both** in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

[Five translations: say, “both.”]



The Truth

The Greatest Century of Foreign Missions

(1800-1900)

- Bible translations went from 60 to 537.
- Mission organizations went from 7 to 100.
- The world went from 25% evangelized to 51%.
- The number of professing Christians increased from 215 million to 520 million.

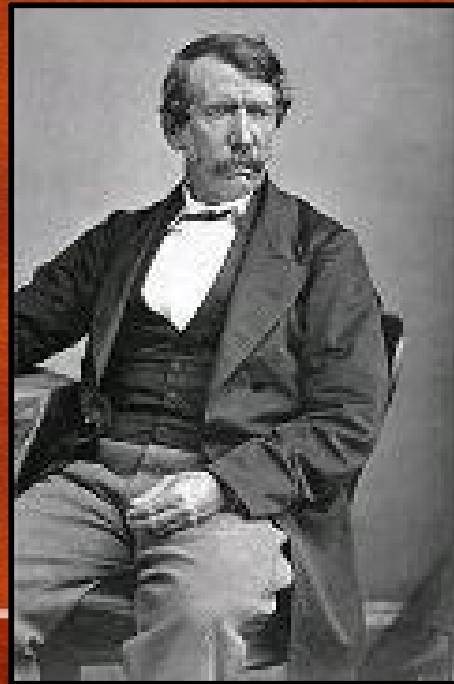


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What Inspired This?

William Carey

The Father of Modern Missions (1792)



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Adoniram Judson

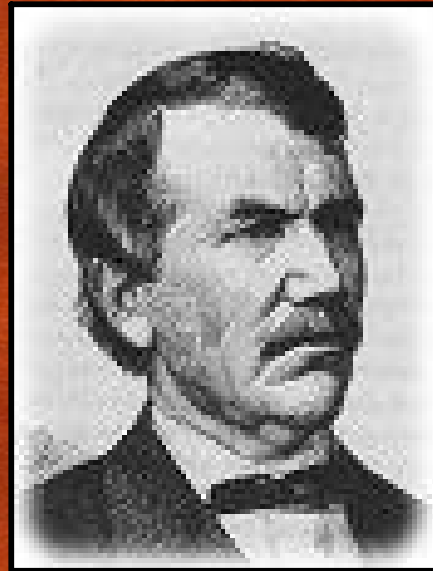
First American missionary.



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Dr. Livingston

Missionary to Africa



The Truth

What did they believe?

They were Calvinists and Post-millennialists.



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