





IF YOU LOVE ME.....

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John 14: 15 – 17

¹⁵ “If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you”.



Let your light shine!

“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven”
(Matthew 5:16).



Be reconciled!

²³ “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. (Matthew 5:23–24).



Love your enemies!

⁴⁴ “But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that?” (Matthew 5:44-46)

Make disciples!

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,
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” (Matthew 28:19-20)

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John 14:

21 "Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me"

23 "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching"

24 "Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching"



James 2:

¹⁸“Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. ¹⁹ You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

²⁰ You foolish person, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless?”



Romans 7:

²¹ “So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?”



John 14:

Verse 15: “If you love me, [the result will be that] you will keep my commandments.”

Verse 23: “If anyone loves me, [the result will be that] he will keep my word.”

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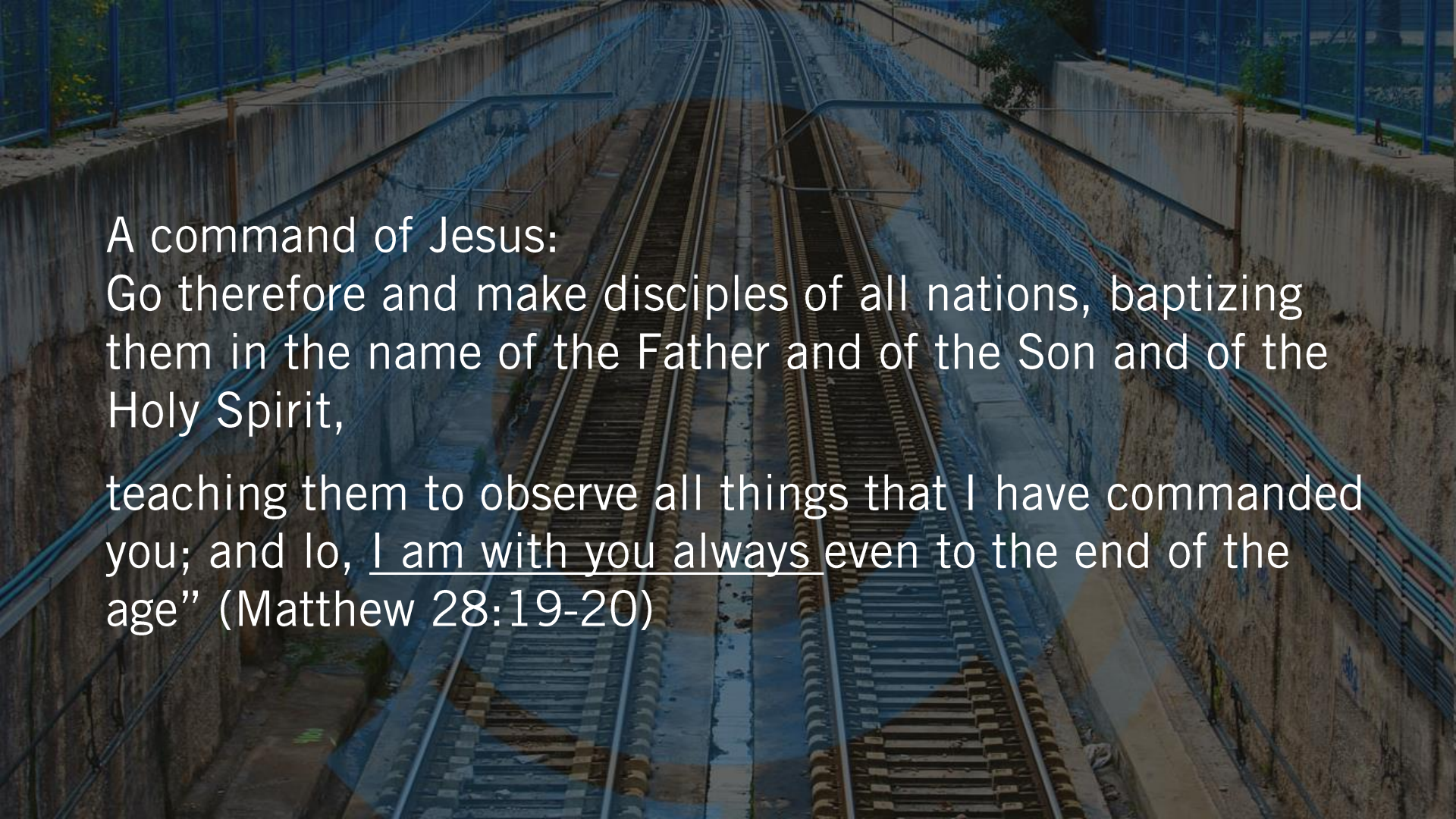
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 2. Loving Him and keeping His commands are two sides of the same coin;
 3. We cannot keep his commands without the help of the Holy Spirit;



John 15:

⁵ “I am the vine and you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing”.



A command of Jesus:
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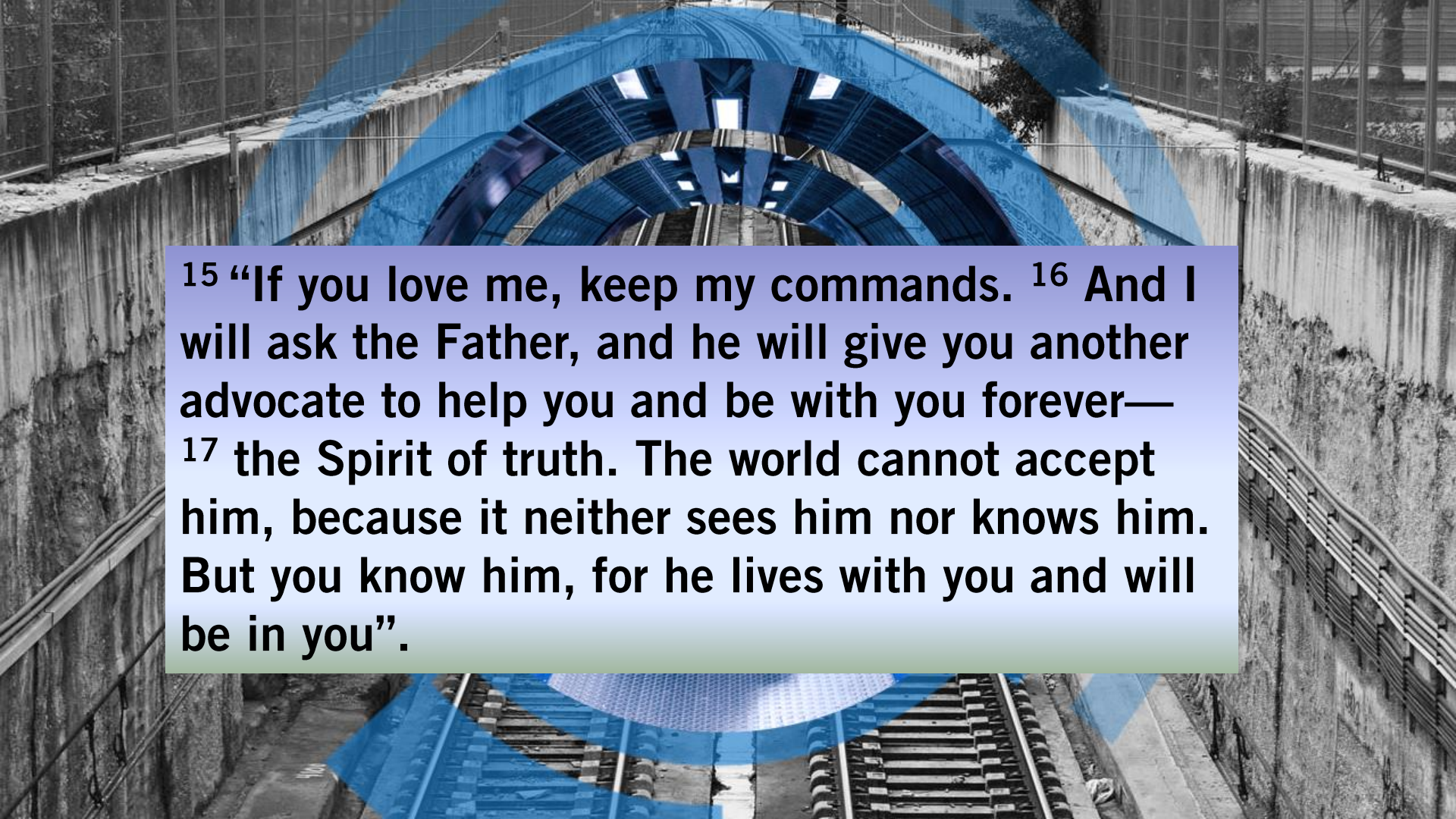
Acts 1:

⁸”But you shall receive **power** when the **Holy Spirit** has come upon you; and you shall be **witnesses** to me in Jerusalem, and in Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth”



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1. His permanent presence is with us;
2. His inexhaustible power is with us;



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