

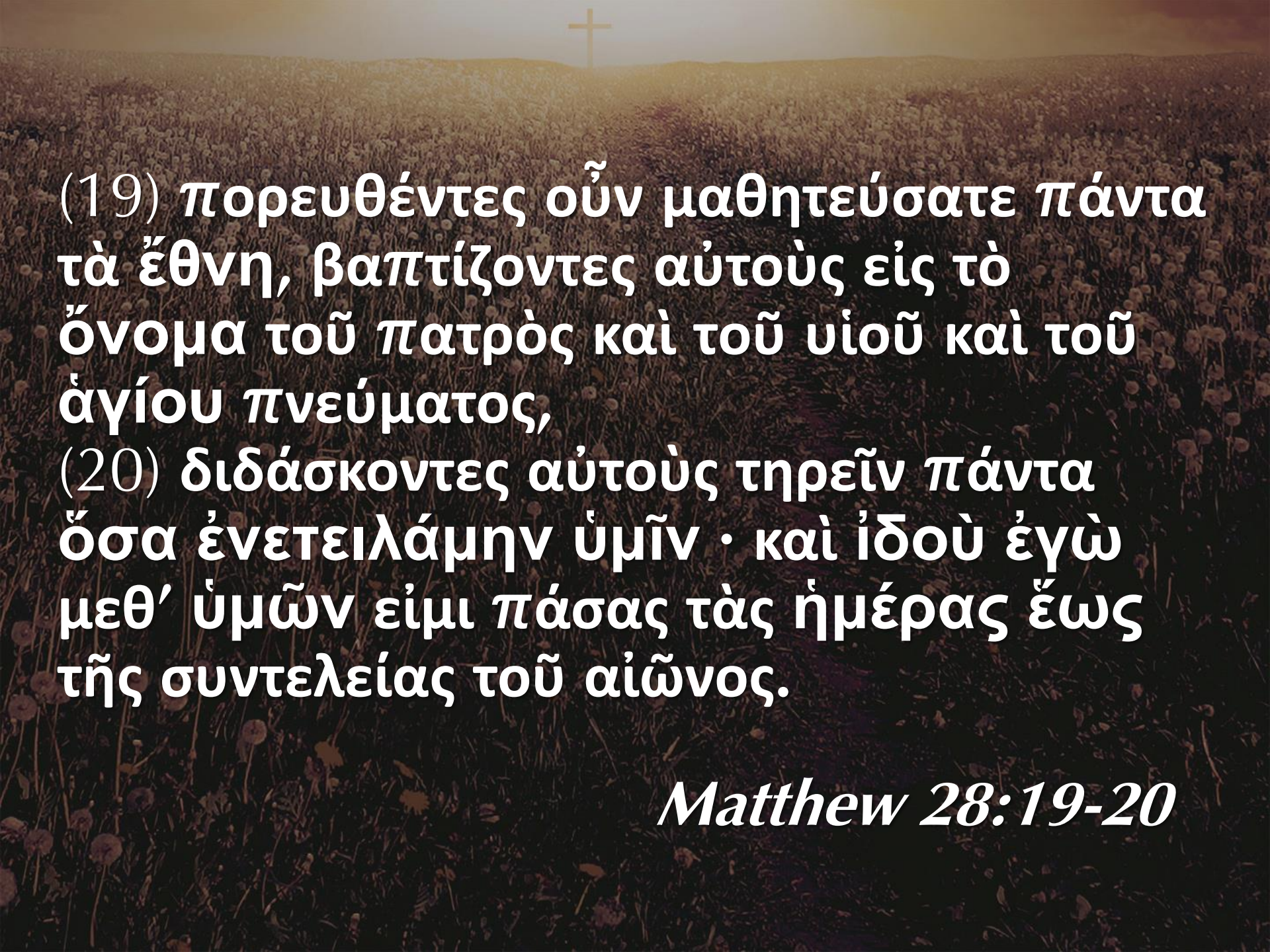


# DISCIPLESHIP:

Still God's Plan for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

*Matthew 28:19-20*





(19) πορευθέντες οὖν μαθητεύσατε πάντα  
τὰ ἔθνη, βαπτίζοντες αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸ  
ὄνομα τοῦ πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ  
ἁγίου πνεύματος,

(20) διδάσκοντες αὐτοὺς τηρεῖν πάντα  
ὅσα ἐνετειλάνην ὑμῖν · καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐγὼ  
μεθ' ὑμῶν εἰμι πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας ἕως  
τῆς συντελείας τοῦ αἰῶνος.

*Matthew 28:19-20*



(19) poreuthentev oun matheteusate  
*having gone - then - disciple*

panta ta ethne baptizontev autouv  
*all - the - nations - baptizing - them*

(While you are going) -

Disciple all the nations

–baptizing them – in the name of  
the Father, Son, Holy Spirit

–teaching them – to observe all  
things





A field of wildflowers with a cross on a hill in the background.

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1. All Christians are called to be and to make DISCIPLES; this is a command for every believer.
2. It is clear that Christ meant more than make CONVERTS or add church members.



**The primary purpose of the church  
is to bring glory to God by making  
DISCIPLES in all the NATIONS.**

- 1. The goal is disciples!**
- 2. The scope is all the nations.**
- 3. The process involves  
baptizing and teaching.**





A field of dandelions with a cross on the horizon under a sunset sky.

# A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH

Disciple = follower; learner

Disciple of Jesus = a totally  
committed follower of Jesus!





**Luke 14 touches three personal nerves as Christ addresses the cost of discipleship.**

**1. Personal RELATIONSHIPS**

**2. Personal GOALS & DESIRES**

**3. Personal POSSESSIONS**

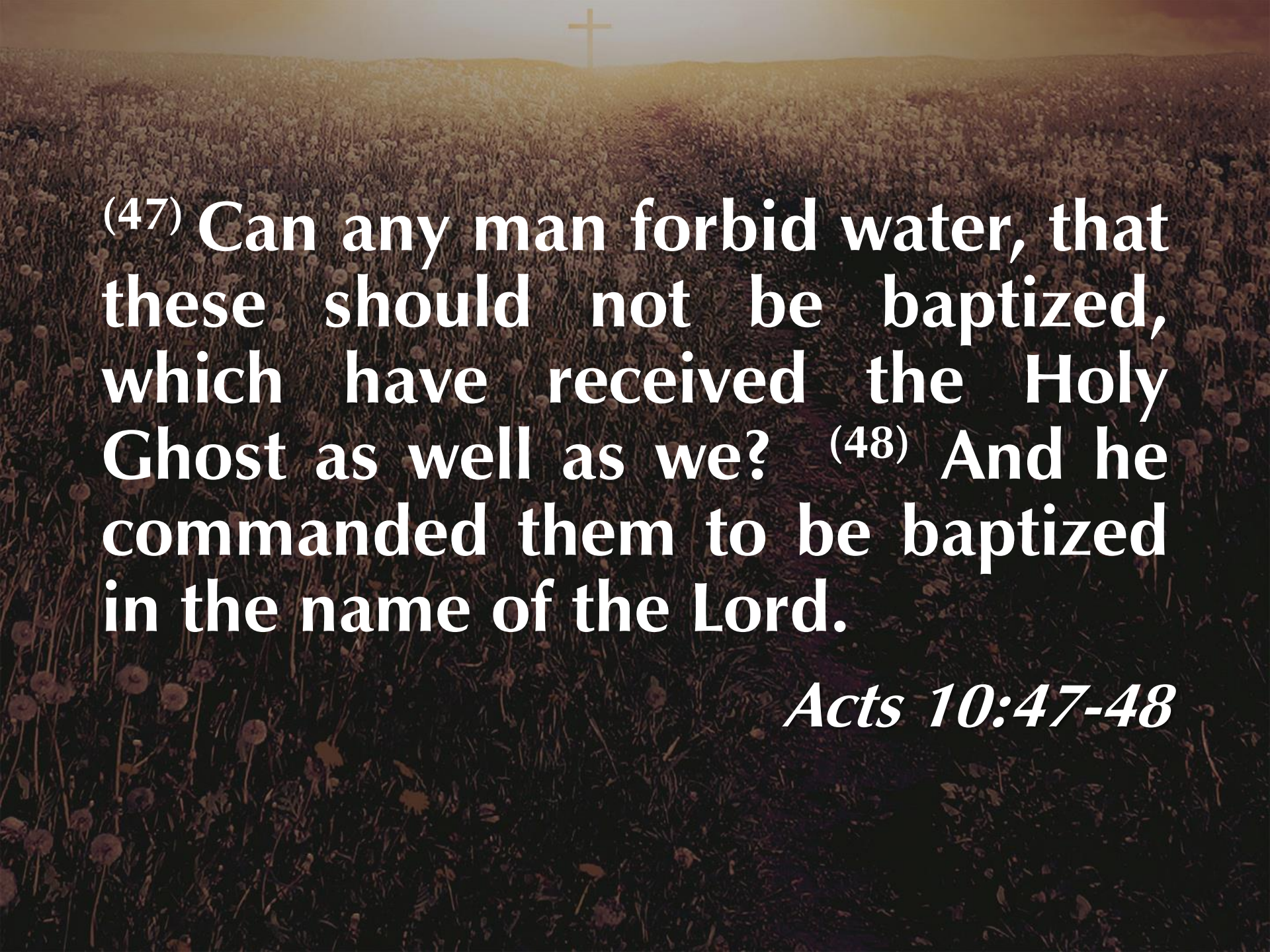


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- 1) Baptism is not optional for the believer.
- 2) Baptism does not make you a Christian nor secure your eternal life.
- 3) Baptism is a public testimony (visual symbol) of the spiritual rebirth that has already taken place in a life.





A background image of a field of wildflowers, possibly daisies, under a warm, golden light. In the distance, a simple cross is visible on the horizon line.

**(47) Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? (48) And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord.**

***Acts 10:47-48***



1. Baptizing means – *a public testimony (visual symbol) of the spiritual rebirth that has already taken place in a life.*
2. Teaching means – *a commitment to knowing God's Word and living God's way in every area.*

