

GO Sermon Series – Part 3

## “Go, Giving Thanks”

*Pastor Dale Campfield - November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 – THANKSGIVING SUNDAY*

**Intro:**

**Matt 28:19** “Go and make disciples of all nations...”

**ECC Process of Discipleship: Making an IMPACT...To Love...To Grow...To Serve**

We have 3 priorities – To love...which is expressed in our Sunday morning celebration and connection groups. To grow...which is expressed in our Path to Discipleship. To serve...which is expressed in our daily lives in the places we live, work and play; as well as through the local church. The vision of E.C.C. is to gather together weekly for corporate worship, loving God and each other; then to come together in small Connection Groups for discipleship and fellowship, and are regularly involved in reaching out to others with the love, acceptance, and forgiveness of Jesus Christ through community outreach. To Love...To Grow...To Serve!

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We’ve stepped up, realizing the plan of God for our lives: The Great Commission and the Great Commandment; to love God and others, making disciples of all. We’ve learned how to STAND, against the enemy, making the decision to not bow. Now, it’s time to GO. It’s time to practice what we preach.

**Key Verse: Mark 16:15** “He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.”

As we go along this path, the path of discipleship, we must give THANKS in all situations. We must Go, Giving Thanks. It’s not always easy to do; but must be done.

Take note of our text... Ps. 105:1-6

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name;  
make known among the nations what he has done.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praise to him;  
tell of all his wonderful acts.
- 3 Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 Look to the LORD and his strength;  
seek his face always.
- 5 Remember the wonders he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,
- 6 O descendants of Abraham his servant,  
O sons of Jacob, his chosen ones.

It’s time to give Thanks!

1 Cor. 15:57

*"Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

Let me share with you in a very brief state...

I. Why Don't We Give Thanks....

1. It's easier to complain.
2. It's easier to have a pitty party.
3. It's easier to give up.

II. Why Must We Give Thanks...

1. Praise UP, Power DOWN
2. It's a reflection of God within you.
3. It becomes a testimony to others.

So.... it's time to GO, Giving Thanks!

**And as you do... You Watch, You Wait, You'll See!**