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RUNNING THE RACE- CELEBRATE THE WIN(S)

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MATTHEW 28:18-20

WE MAKE DISCIPLES BY LIVING-OUT. ...

A NEW ⁽¹⁾ _____

A NEW ⁽²⁾ _____

A NEW ⁽³⁾ _____

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. WHAT IS THE MAIN FOCUS OF MATTHEW 28:18-20? (HINT—"MAKE _____")
2. SINCE "DISCIPLE" MEANS "FOLLOWER" WHAT ARE SOME WAYS WE ARE HELPING PEOPLE BECOME "JESUS-FOLLOWERS" AT GRACE?
3. WHAT IS OUR "MISSION" AS A CHURCH? WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LIVE "MISSIONALLY"?
4. WHY IS COMMUNITY (WITH OTHER JESUS-FOLLOWERS) SO IMPORTANT IN OUR PERSONAL GROWTH? CAN YOU THINK OF A TIME YOU HAVE DISCOVERED SOMETHING NEW OR GROWN PERSONALLY IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD THROUGH YOUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS? EXPLAIN.
5. EXPLAIN THE SIGNIFICANCE OF JESUS SAYING "I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS"
6. IF GRACE "CLOSED OUR DOORS" NEXT WEEK WOULD THE COMMUNITY NOTICE? WHAT WOULD IT MEAN TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD? EAST GRESHAM ELEMENTARY? EAST COUNTY?
7. EXPLAIN WHY SERVING IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR OWN DISCIPLESHIP AND THE DISCIPLESHIP/DEVELOPMENT OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY?
8. JESUS TALKED ABOUT MONEY AND POSSESSIONS MORE THAN ANY OTHER TOPIC— WHY DO YOU THINK THAT IS?
9. AS YOU THINK OVER YOUR LIFE, WHO ARE SOME GODLY MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE INVESTED INTO (DISCIPLED) YOU? EXPLAIN.
10. ARE YOU PERSONALLY "MAKING DISCIPLES"? HOW ARE YOU DOING THAT? WHAT ARE SOME OF THE MANY WAYS WE "DO" THAT AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A CHURCH?

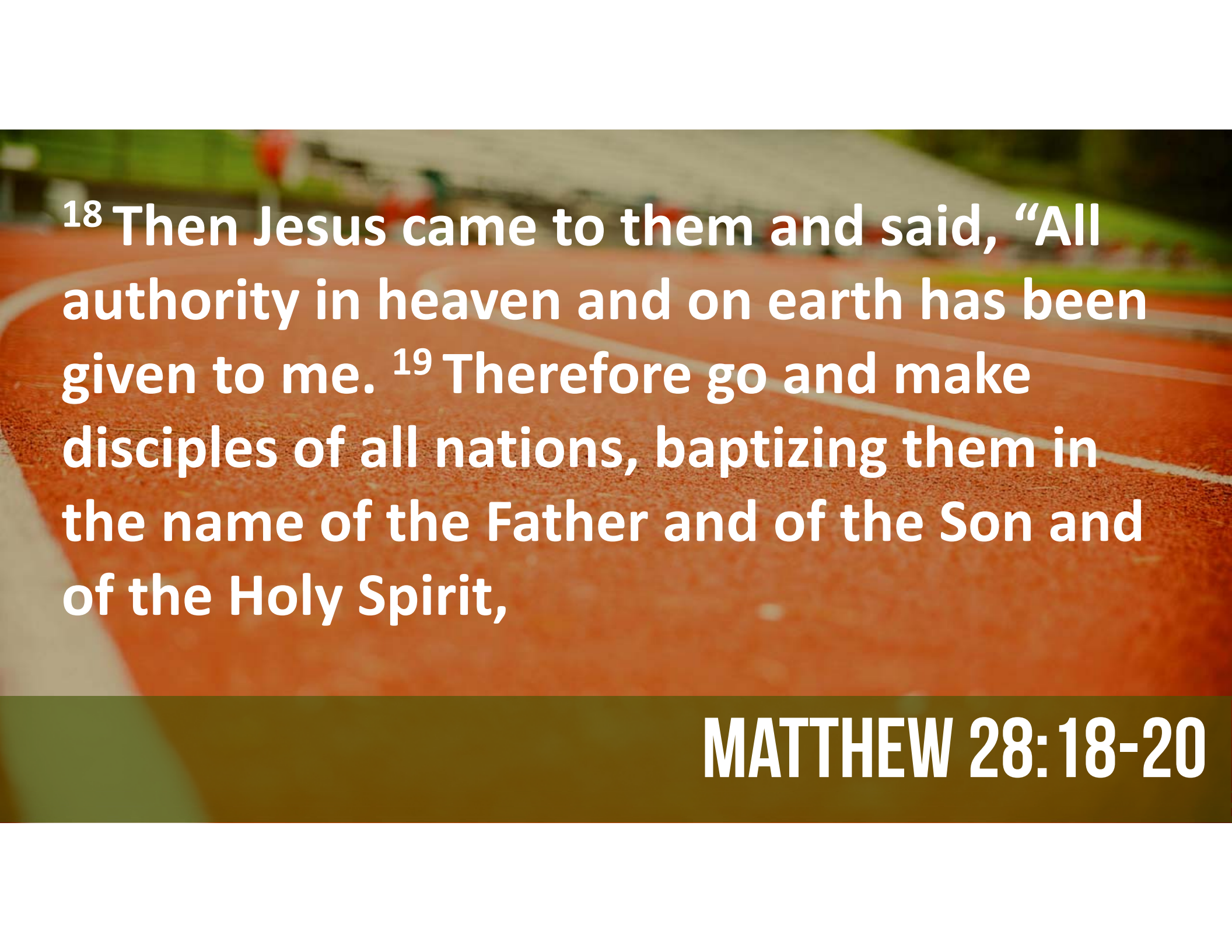
FILL IN THE BLANK KEY

1. MISSION 2. COMMUNITY 3. EMPOWERMENT

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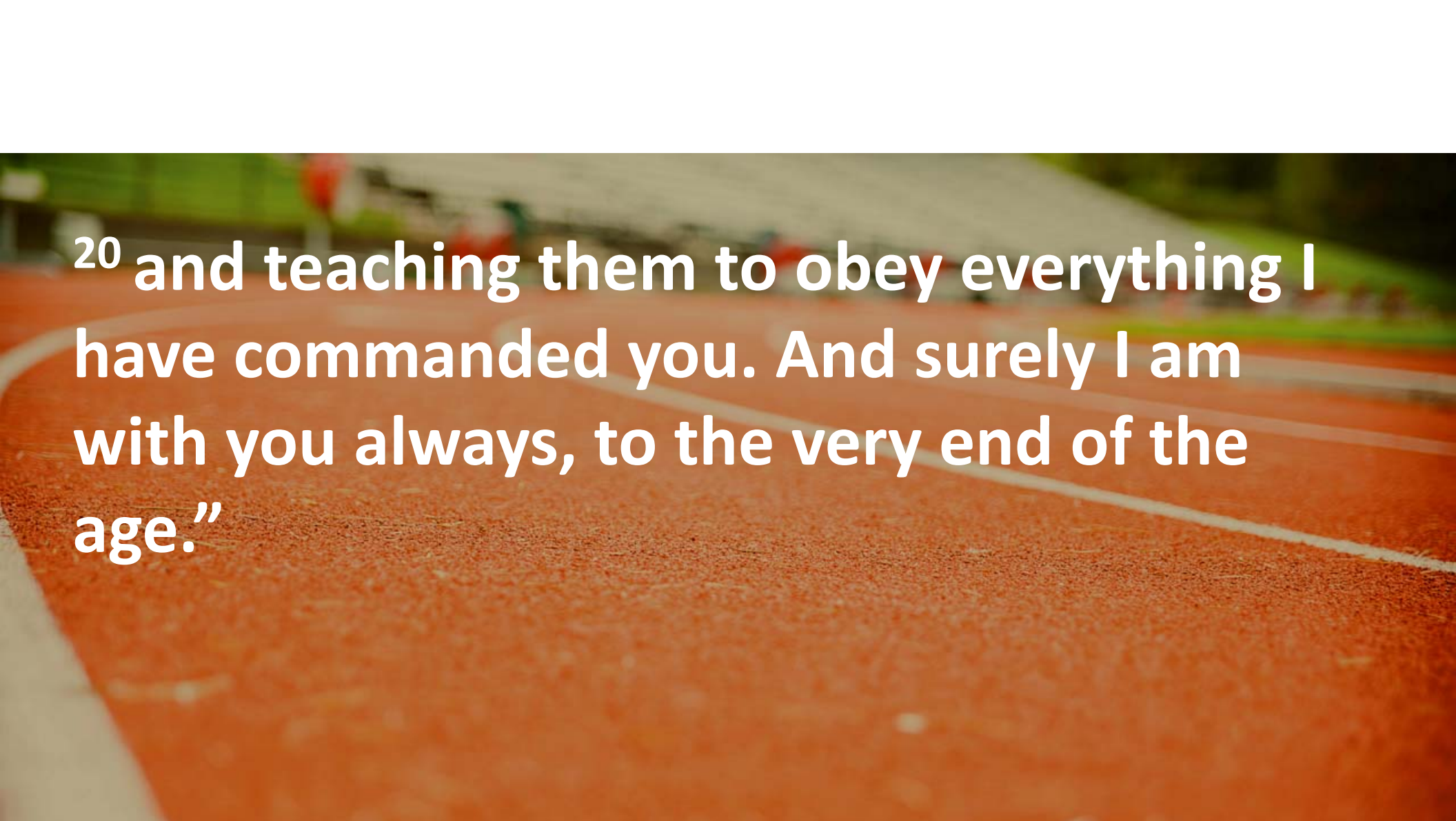
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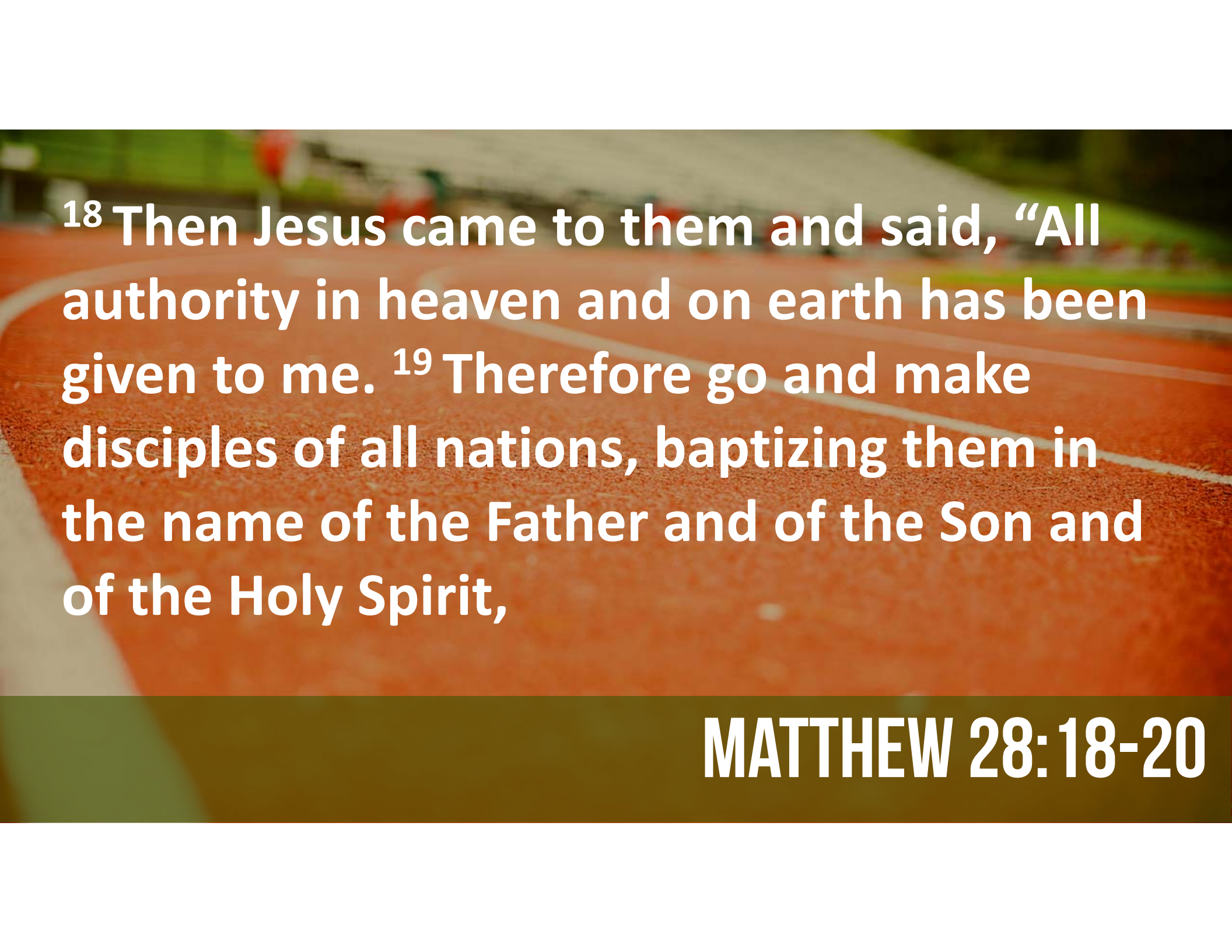
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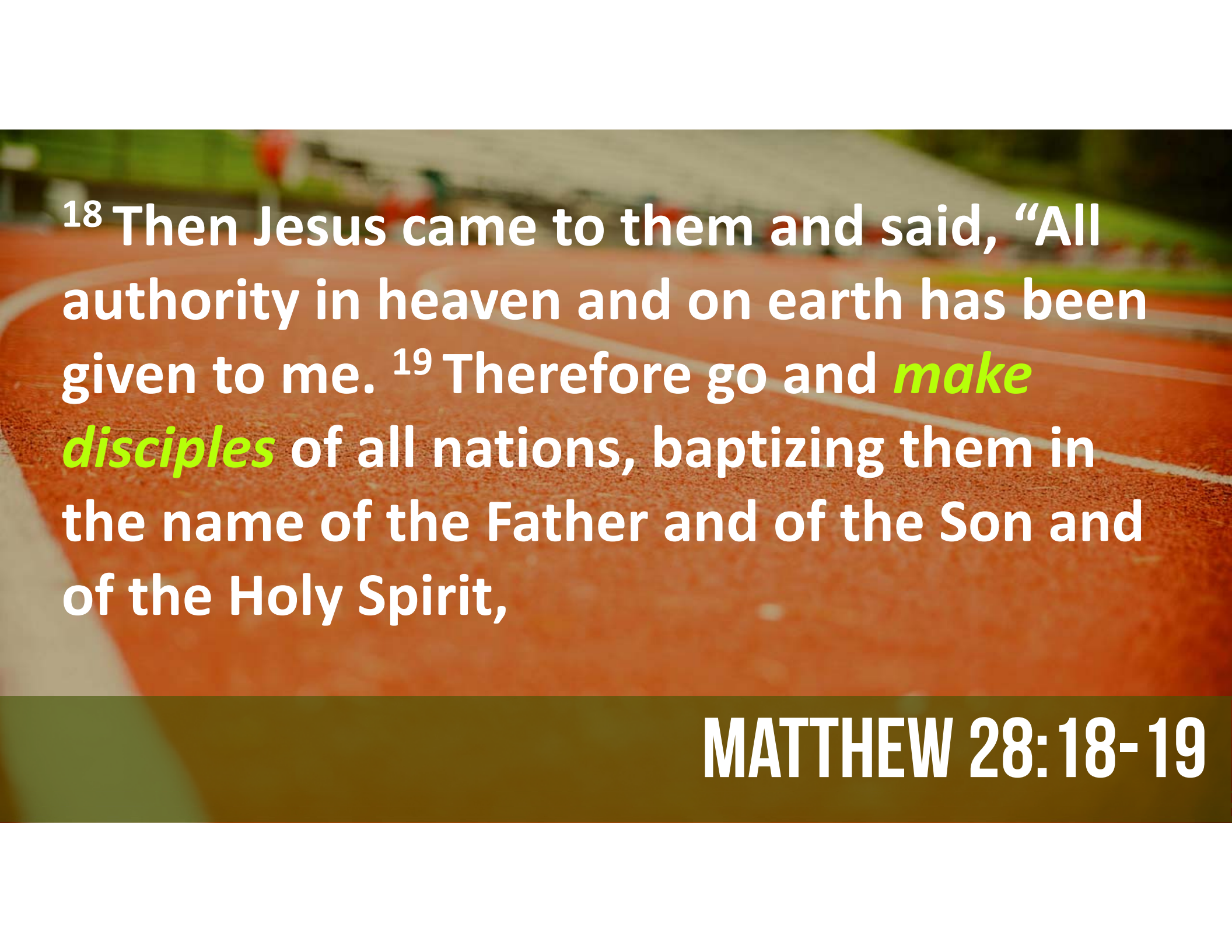
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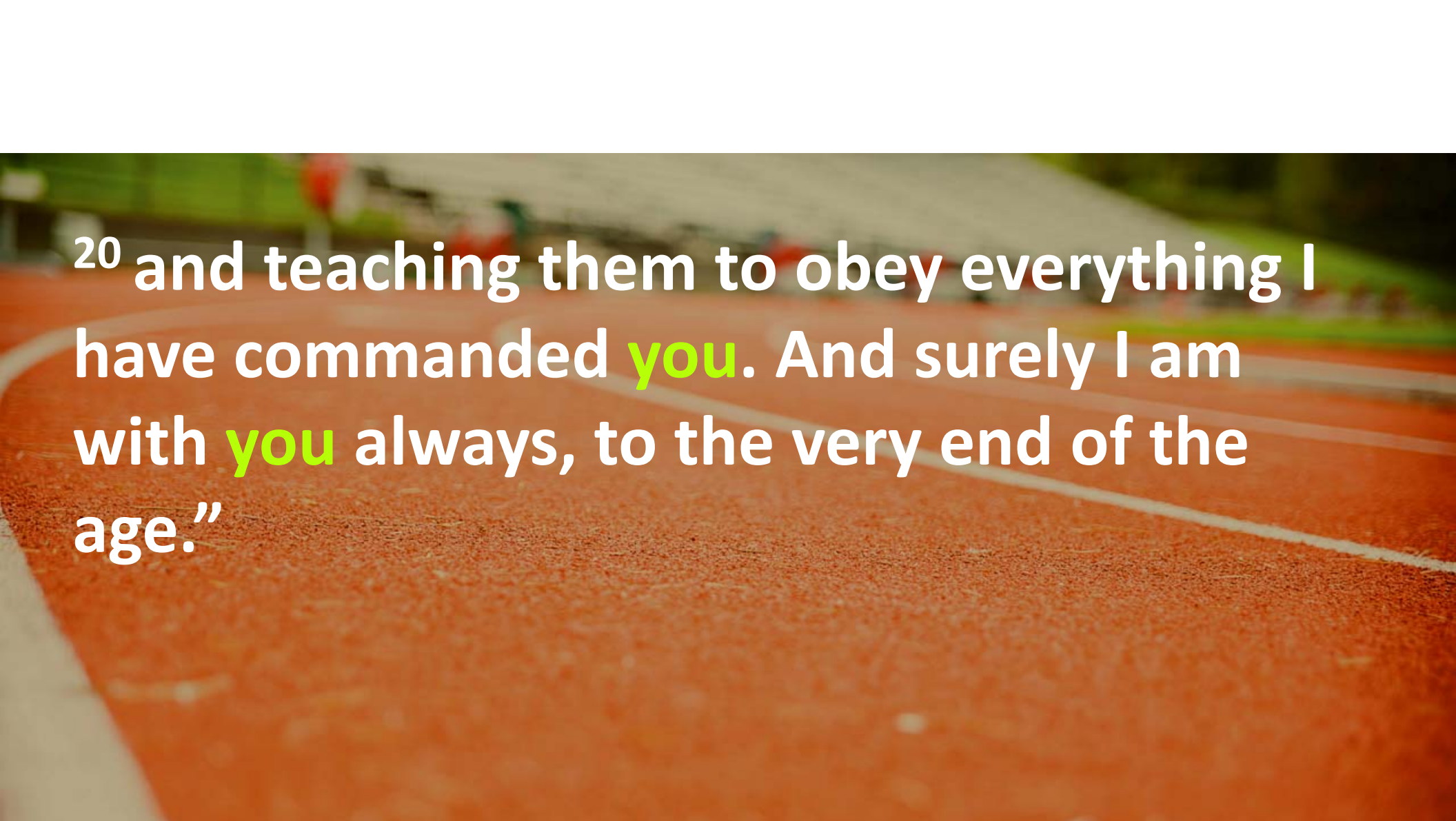
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MATTHEW 28:18-19



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MATTHEW 28:20



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NEW COMMUNITY

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COMMUNITY GROUPS

21 GROUPS (**262** PEOPLE)

JOURNEY

424 PARTICIPATED/**84** SERVED

CELEBRATING THE (WINS)



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MATTHEW 28:19



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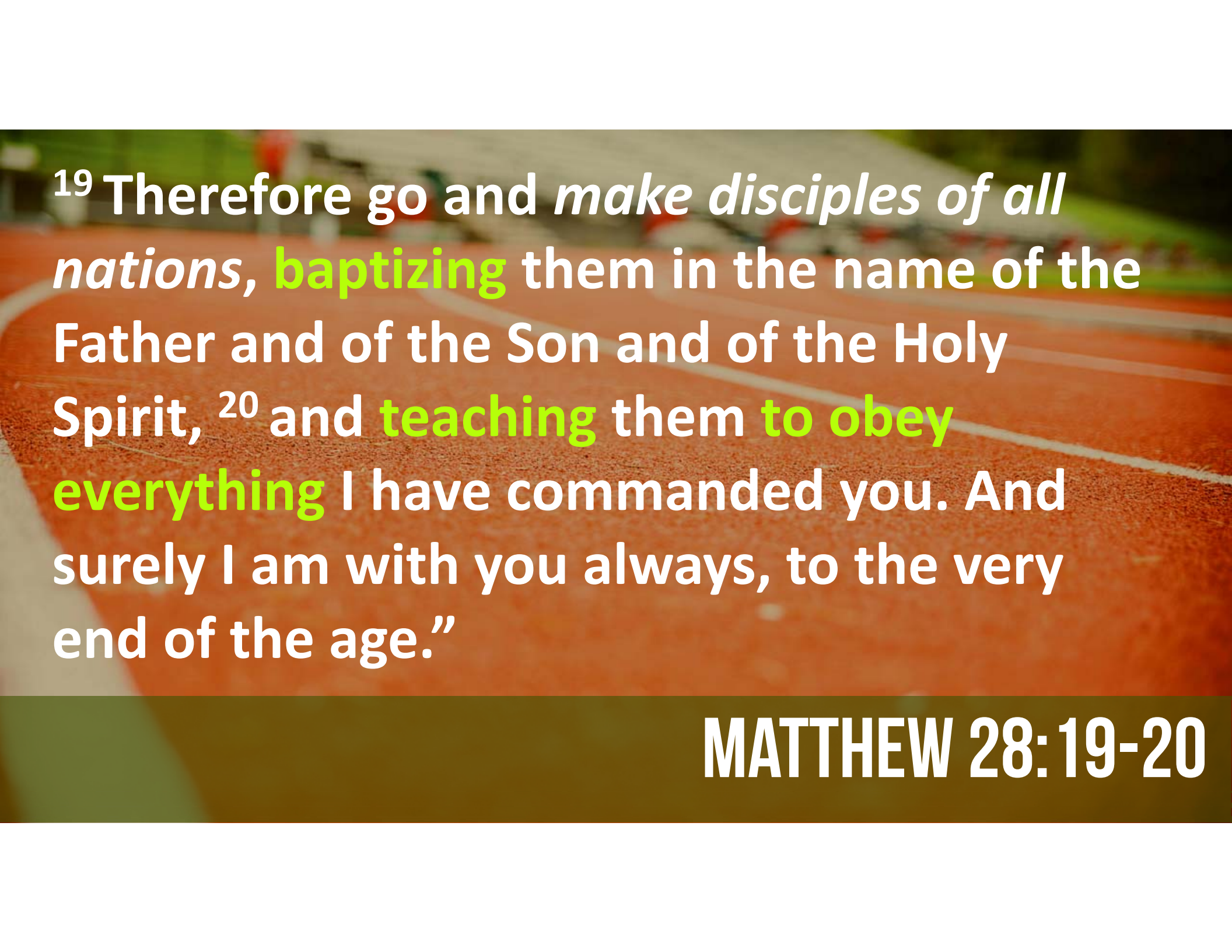
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SERVING:

SHORT-TERM TEAMS: 5

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: 500/200

ADVENT CONSPIRACY: 800/200

CHILDREN'S/STUDENT MIN: 2 TEAMS

CELEBRATING THE (WINS)

GIVING:

FELLOWSHIP FUND: **\$77,738**

BACKPACK BLESSINGS: **\$13,502**

ADVENT CONSPIRACY: **\$31,259**

MISSION/VISION: **\$1.5/\$111/\$31K**

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