

**INTRODUCTION:**

**1. JESUS PROMISED CONTINUOUS PERSONAL PRESENCE IN THIS WORLD TO THOSE FULFILLING HIS COMMISSION (28:20b).**

**2. JESUS PROMISED *EXTENSIVE* PERSONAL PRESENCE TO HIS DISCIPLES IN THIS WORLD (28:20b).**

**3. JESUS' GREAT COMMISSION ARISES FROM THE THEMES AND SCENES THAT BEGIN MATTHEW'S GOSPEL.**

**a. When Jesus was born, Matthew made abundantly clear that Gentiles were in our Savior's family line.**

**b. When Jesus was born, Gentile wise men from the East searched for Him.**

**c. When Jesus matured, He gave most of His life ministering to people of Israel, yet there were moments when He ministered to Gentiles.**

**d. When Jesus was born, according to Isaiah 7:14, which was given 800 years earlier, Jesus was born of a virgin and called "Emmanuel."**

**4. APPLICATIONS:**

***(1) Let us rejoice that Christ loves us so that He will always be with us.***

***(2) Let us return regularly to this mountain and consider the commission that Christ gives.***

**CONCLUSION:**