BIBLE TRANSLATION: THE GREAT COMMISSION 4A

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This is just a brief follow up to last night's post.

Yesterday, I suggested that the heart of Jesus commission to the Church was to be found in two themes:

> 1. *The geographical mandate. Matthew talks about â€œall nationsâ€ and Luke says to the â€œends of the earthâ€ .*
> 2. *Both mention telling people about Jesus â€œteach the to obey all the commands I have given youâ€ and â€œyou will be my witnessesâ€ .*

In other words, we are to tell people about Jesus wherever we find ourselves - *simples*. If this is the case, then Bible translation - making the record about Jesus available to people wherever they are in the world - must lie at the heart of what Jesus requires ofÂ his church.

Just saying.