

WORSHIPPING.

GROWING.

SERVING.

MULTIPLYING.



MATTHEW 28:18–20

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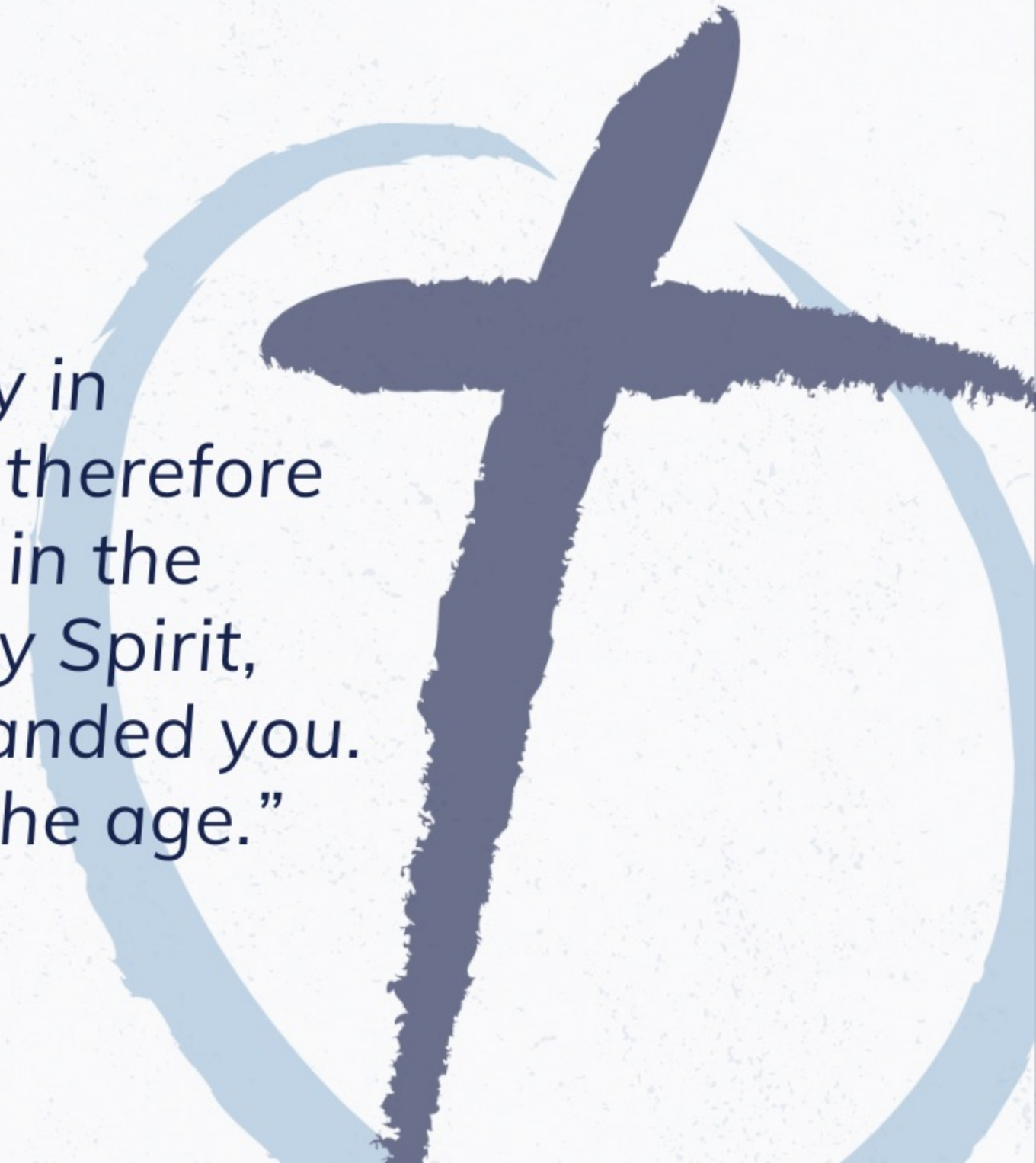


**THE MISSION TO
MAKE DISCIPLES
IS THE MISSION OF
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THE GREAT COMMISSION

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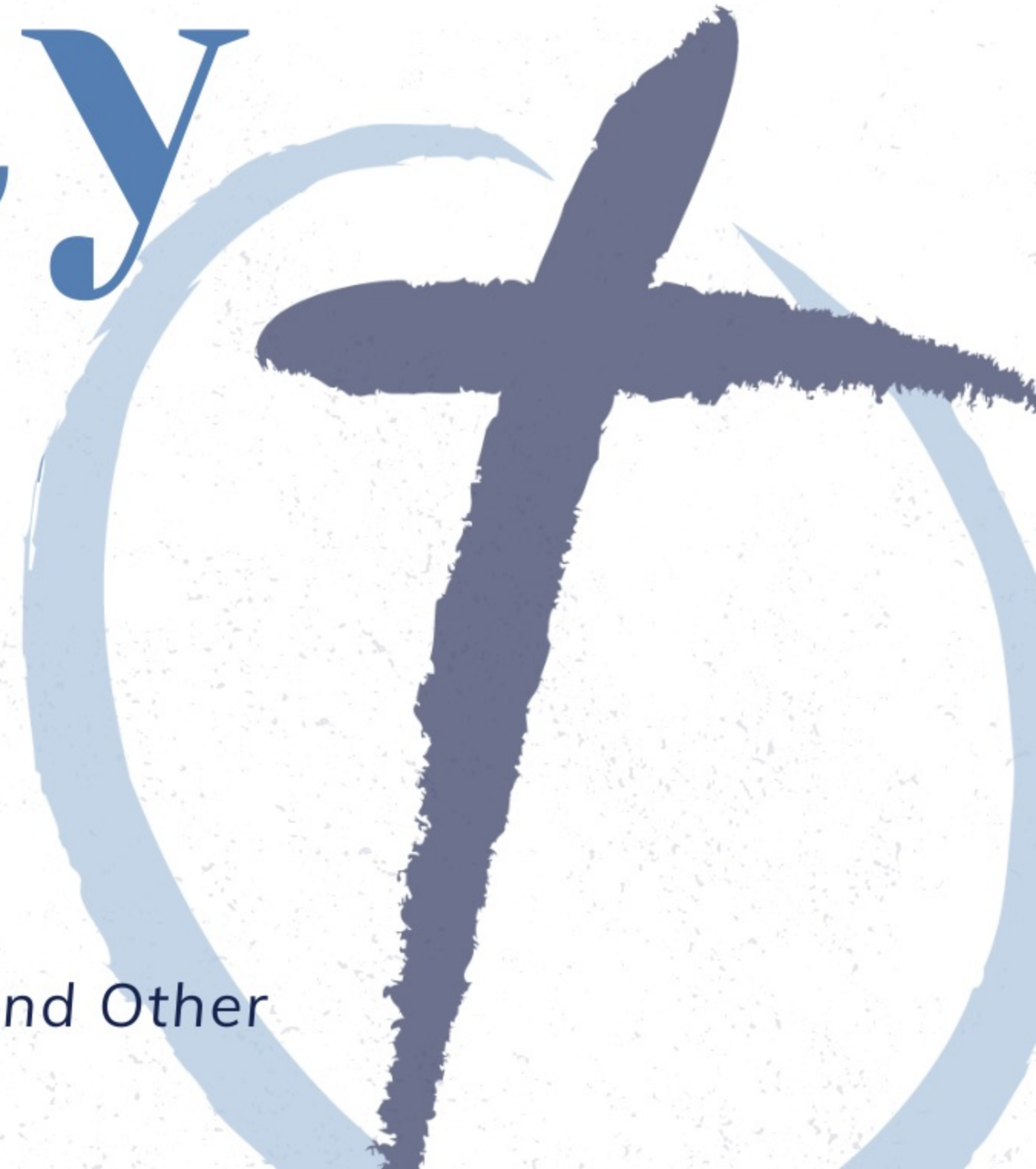
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Authority

A STATE OF CONTROL
OVER SOMETHING

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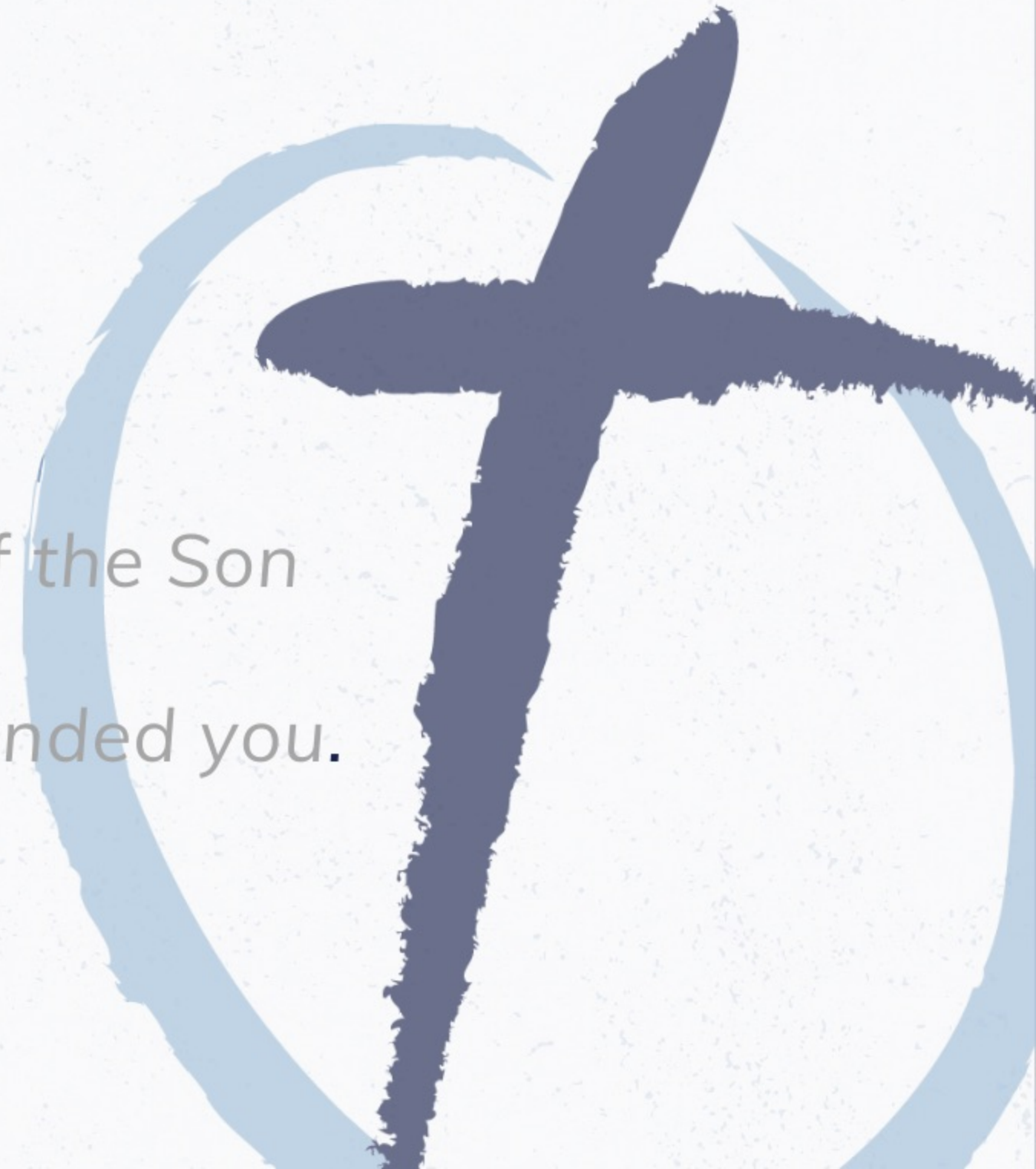
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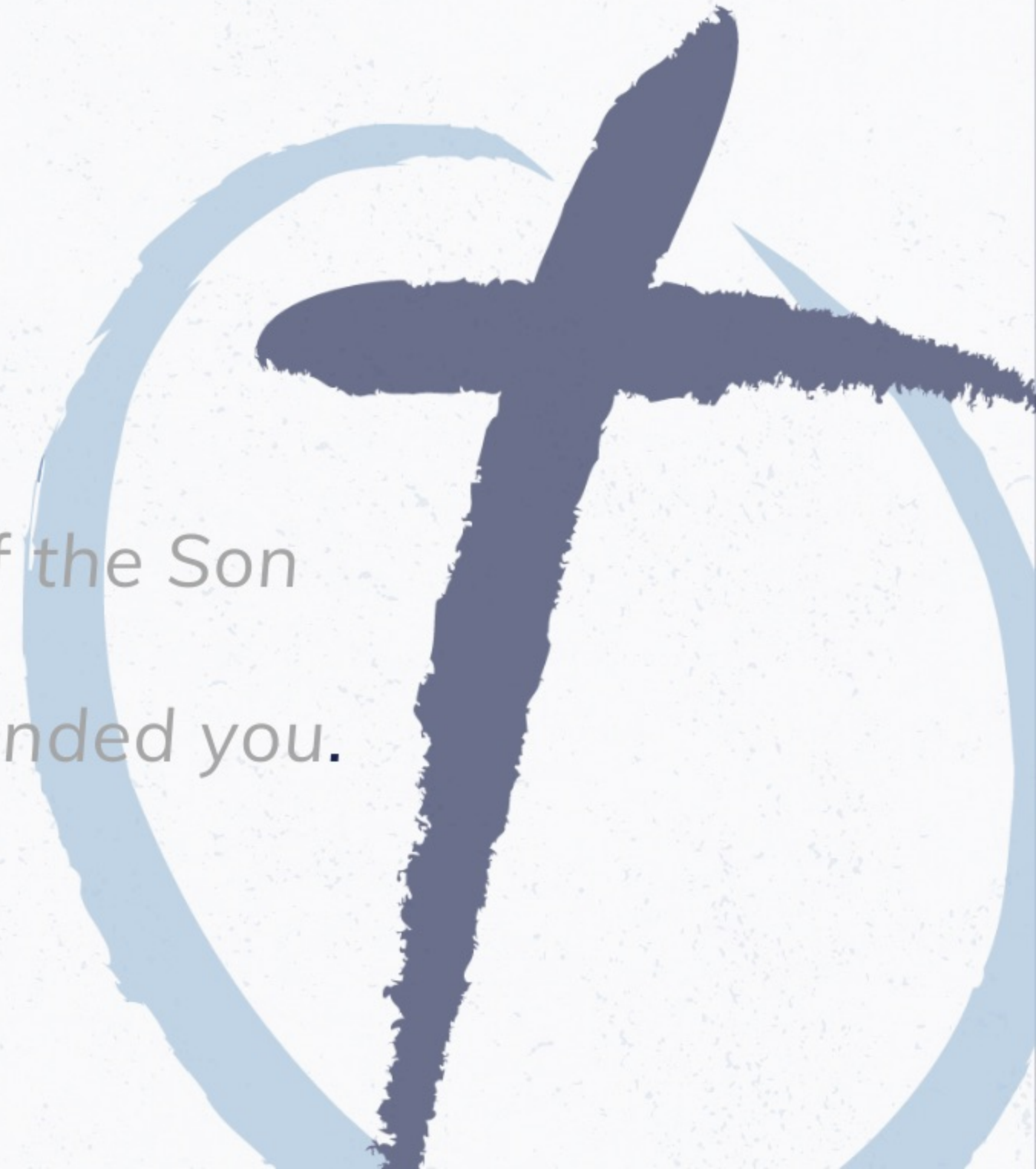
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MATTHEW 28:19–20A
(MY TRANSLATION)



Disciple

A STUDENT OR APPRENTICE
ONE WHO LEARNS TO
BECOME LIKE THE MASTER



Baptism

THE SYMBOL OF ENTRANCE
INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD



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We believe in one God, Creator of all things, holy, infinitely perfect, and eternally existing in a loving unity of three equally divine Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Having limitless knowledge and sovereign power, God has graciously purposed from eternity to redeem a people for Himself and to make all things new for His own glory.

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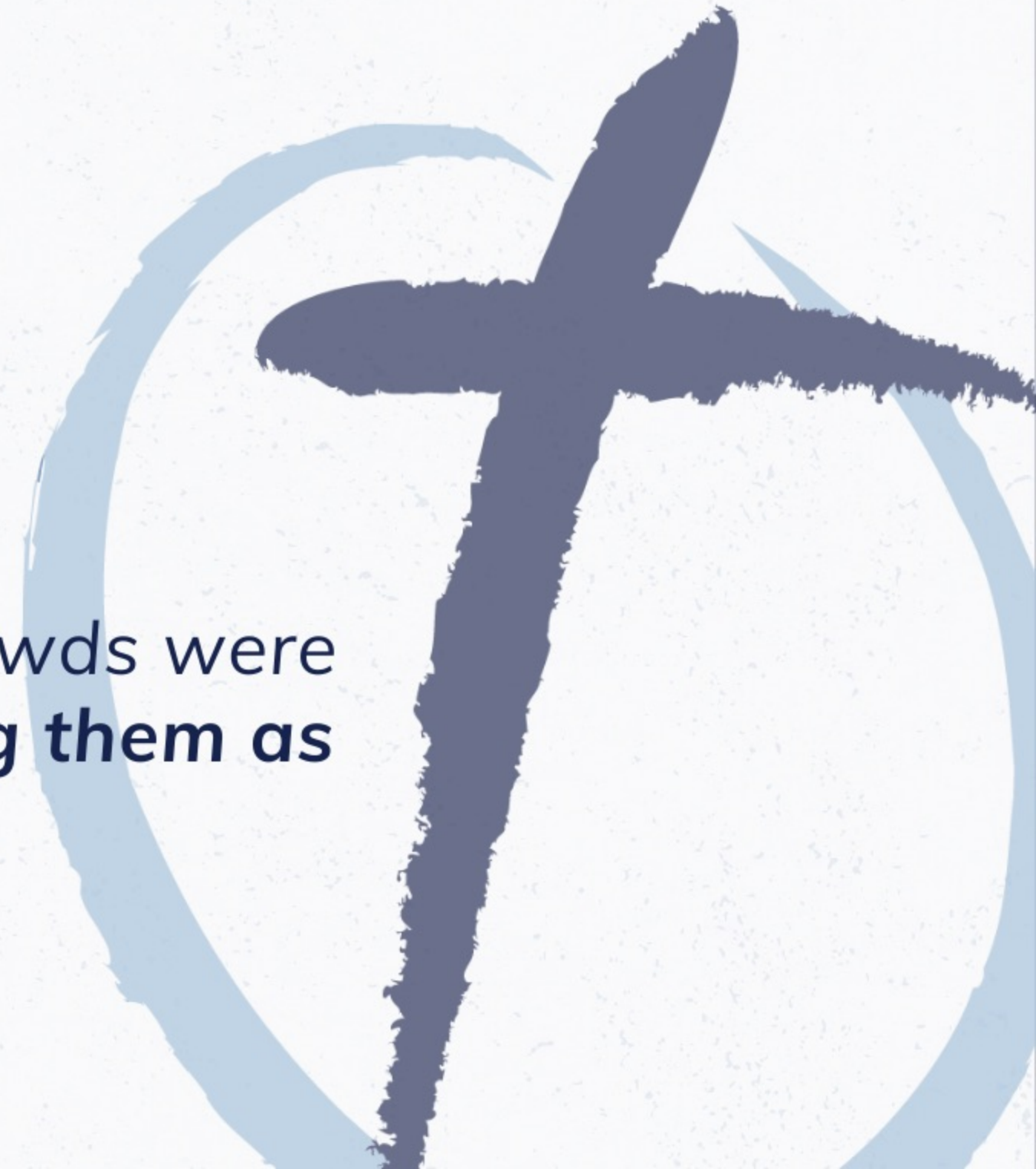
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THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

MATTHEW CHAPTERS 5-7

²⁸ And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ for **he was teaching them as one who had authority**, and not as their scribes.

MATTHEW 7:28-29



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MATTHEW 1:23

²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name **Immanuel**” (which means, **God with us**).

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Our MISSION

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WHY THIS MISSION?

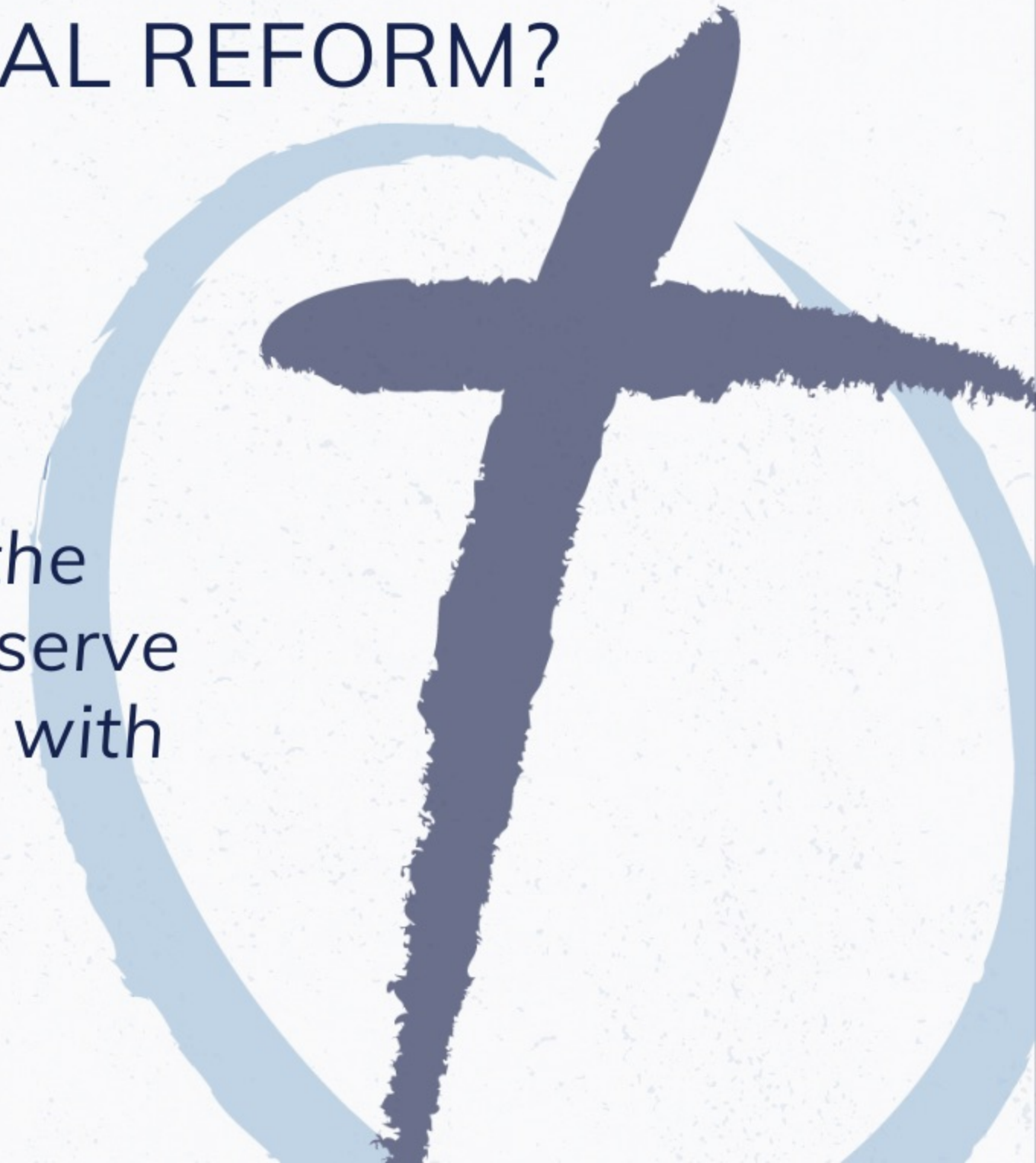


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A COMMISSION OF CULTURAL OR POLITICAL REFORM?

THREE FATAL FLAWS

1. “Disciple” applies to a person
2. “Baptizing” applies to a person
3. Nowhere in the Gospel does it show how to disciple a culture/society



DISCIPLE ALL THE NATIONS

A COMMISSION OF PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP

- Matthew 4:17
- Matthew 7:13-14
- Matthew 10:28–33
- Matthew 16:24–27
- Matthew 22:36–40





**WE SHOULD ENGAGE
THE CULTURE,
BUT OUR MISSION IS
TO MAKE DISCIPLES**



a MULTIPLYING church

STRENGTHENING AND PLANTING CHURCHES TO BE HEALTHY
WORSHIPPING, GROWING, SERVING CONGREGATIONS.



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WHY A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?





Consecrated to the Lord

Total pledged over the next three years:

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Kids' Church kids donated last week:

- \$567.78



gathered
& GROWING

WELCOME. CONNECT. EQUIP.