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Matthew 28:18-19

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and **make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Matthew 28:20

and **teaching** them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Nehemiah 8:8

They read from the Book of the Law of God, **making it clear** and giving the **meaning** so that the **people understood** what was being read.

2. Anna was loyal to her church even though she was second class.

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and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She **never left** the **temple** but **worshiped** night and day, **fasting and praying.**

3. Anna practiced courage
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Coming **up to them** at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and **spoke about the child to all** who were **looking forward** to the **redemption** of Jerusalem.

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Luke 2:39-40

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When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth.

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And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

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