



Worship Guide for *October 21, 2018*

Sermon Notes

The Commission from Our King: “Go”

Matthew 10 (pew Bible pgs. 814-816)

We have heard Jesus’ teach with full authority in the Sermon on the Mount. In Matthew chapters eight and nine, we have seen that authority demonstrated in his miracles and encounters with those who follow him. After all this, we should clearly see that Jesus has full authority over disease, disaster, demons, sin, and death. Jesus has absolute authority in the world, and that includes authority over us, over you and me.

This is a message the world needs to hear. “They need to know that Jesus has authority over sin, sickness, cancer, disease, natural disasters, and even death itself, and they must hear the gospel in order to be saved. Therefore, it is incumbent upon us to spread this good news.” (David Platt)

Being sent by our Lord, and being obedient to that command, is what it means to be a disciple of Christ. In Matthew 10, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, our marching orders. He tells us what to expect from the world and what we can expect from our Lord. The dangers and risks are great, but the reward is worth it all.

Go – you are sent into great need and great danger

The needs are great (7-8)

The danger is real (16 – ff)

Go – many will oppose you and God will support you

You will be betrayed (21)

You will be hated (22)

You will be persecuted (23)

You will be tempted by fear (29-31)

You can count on God’s care (29-31)

Go – with a bold and confident expectation

Confessing Jesus openly (32-33)

Loving Jesus supremely (37-38)

Laying down your life (39)

Looking forward to your reward (40-42)

Life Group Guide

Sunday

In your journal, reflect on today's sermon by answering the following:

I never knew:

I was challenged:

I was reminded:

I was convicted:

A question I still have:

A truth I could share:

Know

Monday

Spend some time today doing the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Select a portion of this week's sermon passage to memorize this week.

Write your selected portion and read it to yourself at least 10 times throughout the day.

Know > Be

Tuesday

In your journal, spend some time writing about the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Write a prayer of response, guided by the passage.

(May include adoration, confession/repentance, thanksgiving, petition, etc...)

Write your selected portion of the Scripture several times to aid in memorization.

Be

Wednesday

Think about this week's questions for group discussion:

What ministry situations tend to be the most difficult for you? Jesus speaks of being like sheep, snakes, and doves in Matthew 10. How would you apply this to your current context?

What aspects of God's character in this chapter ground our confidence in Christ's mission?

What is your reaction to the inevitable opposition to living out this mission? What causes you the greatest difficulty or fear?

Be > Do

Thursday

In your journal, spend some time considering the following:

What insights have you had while internalizing this week's passage?

How specifically will you seek to apply its truths in your home/workplace/life in general?

Do

*Use this guide to help you internalize this week's passage & message.

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Upcoming Events

October 26 - Person @ Rockingham Co.

October 27 - Student Ministry Fun on the Farm

October 28 - Fall Family Festival

November 3 - Men's Fellowship Breakfast

November 9 - A Night for the Family

November 11 - Shoebox Dedication Service

November 16 & 17 - Membership Class

November 20 - Thanksgiving Dinner & Service