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| 1 | **Successful Workers In The Lord’s Kingdom- Part 5**  **Matthew Chapter 10** |
| 2 | **Context of Matthew Chapter 10**  **Jesus was teaching** and ***“proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom”*** and ***“healing every kind of disease… sickness”*** (Matthew 9:35; cf., Luke 16:16; Mark 1:38)  **Lost sheep** who Jesus saw as a “***plentiful… harvest”*** as **Jesus called for more workers**. (Matthew 9:36-38)  **Is there still a *“plentiful harvest”*** and a **need for more (“fellow”) workers!** (Philippians 2:20-21; 2 Timothy 2:15; 1 Corinthians 3:9) |
| 3 | **Attributes of Successful Workers In The Lord’s Kingdom** |
| 4 | **Keys To Being Successful Workers  Matthew Chapter 9-10**  **#1 - Have Compassion (Mercy) For the Lost** (9:36)  **#2 - Belief that there is yet a harvest.** (9:37)  **#3 - Answer The Call!** (9:38; 10:5)  **#4 - Be willing to sacrifice.** (10:2-4)  **#5 - Study/Learn/Be Taught** (10:5)  **#6 - Preach The Kingdom** (10:7) |
| 5 | **#7 - Bless as you’ve been blessed** (10:8)  **#8 - Don’t’ worry/Be distracted** (10:9-10)  **#9 - Don’t cast pearls before swine.** (10:11-15)  **#10 - Use spiritual discernment** (10:16-18)  **#11 - Trust in God’s revealed will.** (10:19-20) |
| 6 | **#12 - Love God More Than All** (10:21)  **The warning**: *“****Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child… children will rise up against parents…*** *.”*  (10:34-38) *-* **The attitude** *“…I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I came to set a man against his father… 36 and* ***a man’s enemies will be the members of his household****. 37* ***He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me****; and he who loves (family) more than Me is not worthy of Me.* **(Micah 7:6; Luke 9:61-62; 14:26)** |
| 7 | **#12 - Love God More Than All**   * As hard as it is, **we must remember God’s promises to us**: * Matthew 19:29, **we will be blessed** even more than what sacrifices we make. * Matthew 12:50, **Jesus has promised His familial love** to those who *“****do the will of the Father****”.* * **We must then strengthen the familial bonds between our brethren**. (John 19:26-27; 1 Peter 1:22; 2:17; Romans 12:10-12) “**Blessed be the ties that bind**…” |
| 8 | **#13 - Endure To The End** (10:22)  *“You will be hated by all because of My name, but* ***it is the one who has endured to the end who will be saved****.”*   * **What end?** (Revelation 2:10; Hebrews 3:6, 14; 6:11; 1 Corinthians 15:24) * **It will get difficult**! **Don’t quit! Don’t grow weary Keep trusting**! (1 Peter 4:18-19; Galatians 6:6-10) * **Stay focused** (Hebrews 10:32-39) & **keep making the comparison**! (Romans 8:18; Hebrews 11:25-26; 12:1-2) |
| 9 | **#14 - Time Is Of The Essence** (10:23)  *“But* ***whenever they persecute you in one city, flee to the next****; for truly I say to you,* ***you will not finish going through the cities of Israel*** *until the Son of Man comes.”*   * Similar point to that made in vs. 14, **there is so much work to do in preaching/teaching** (9:37) **that we must seek those who are “worthy”** (Acts 13:46). ***“You will not finish…”*** * Though not to deny the faith to avoid persecution, **no need to sacrifice open doors for the sake of closed doors**. (Colossians 4:3-6) **Paul fled so he could keep preaching**.  (Acts 9:22-25, 29-30; 13:50-51; 14:5-7, 19-22; 17:10, 14-15; 20:1) |
| 10 | **#15 - As A Disciple, Emulate Our Teacher & Master** (10:24-25)  ***A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master****. 25* ***It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher…****”*   * **True disciples remain faithful to the word**. (John 8:31-32) * **Focus on accomplishing our Father’s work**. (John 17:4-5) * **We will be called upon to suffer**! (2 Timothy 3:12; Acts 5:40-42; 14:22; 1 Peter 1:6-9; 4:14-16) * **Follow in His steps**! (John 13:14-15; 1 Peter 2:21) |
| 11 | **#16 Be bold & confident** (10:26-28)  **Do not have a *“spirit of timidity”* but rather a spirit of *“power and love and discipline”.***  (2 Timothy 1:7)  Who is ***“adequate/sufficient”*** for this? (2 Corinthians 3:4-6, 12)  **All need to pray!** (Ephesians 6:18-20; Colossians 4:3-6)  **Understand what boldness is/isn’t!**   * Not rude, brash, disrespectful. * Clearly, unreservedly, openly, not bashfully or ashamedly (John 18:20-21) |