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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**…”
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| 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)
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| 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)
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| 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)
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| 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)
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