How to handle the "call"

Matthew – "Why Jesus?"

Matthew 10:1-25 - How to handle the "call"

<u>Matt. 9:37</u> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; [38] therefore <u>pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out</u> <u>laborers</u> into his harvest."

Matthew 10:1-25 – How to handle the "call"

<u>Matt. 10:1</u> And He called to Him His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.

Matt. 10:5a These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them,...

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Matt. 5:14 "<u>You</u> are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. [15] Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. [16] In the same way, <u>let your light shine before</u> <u>others</u>, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

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This morning we will look at...

1)Several qualifications Jesus gives for this mission He calls us to 2)Briefly where the power for this mission comes from

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Matthew 10:5-25 - How to handle the "call"

1) Qualifications of our Mission

a) Qualification 1 = Empathy

Matthew – "Why J<u>esus?"</u>

Matthew 10:7-8 - How to handle the "call"

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 ➢ Word & Deed

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 - Living simply

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<u>Eph. 4:11</u> And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, [12] to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ

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Matthew 10:22a - How to handle the "call"

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- d) Qualification 4 = Expect hostility

Matthew 10:7 - How to handle the "call"

1)Qualifications of our Mission

- a) Qualification 1 = Empathy
- *b) Qualification 2 = A Surgeon's Balance*
- c) Qualification 3 = It's not optional It's our CALL
- *d) Qualification 4 = Expect hostility*
- *e) Qualification* 5 = *Urgency*

Matthew – "Why Jesus?"

Matthew 10:1a - How to handle the "call"

1)Qualifications of our Mission 2)Where the power for this mission comes from

<u>II Cor. 3:1-6</u> Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? [2] You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. [3] And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

[4] Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. [5] Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, [6] who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.