

Sermon Outline

“Honoring Jesus”

Matthew 10:24-42

The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. __ II Tim 2:2-3

- I.** Overview of the passage
 - a. Context: Initial mission of the Twelve vv. 5-8
 - b. Primary opposition is Jewish hierarchy vv. 6, 17, 25
 - c. The disciples are reminded whose servants they are vv. 25, 31, 40
 - d. The call to completely trust and honor Jesus vv. 32, 37, 39

- II.** Understanding discipleship v. 24
Cf. 18:20; 19:29

The call of the first disciples 4:18-22 (*cf.* 9:9)
Joseph of Arimathea 27:57
Post-resurrection command 28:19

- III.** Serving Jesus (*see* Lk 6:40; Mt 10:25)
 - a. The disciples act for Jesus vv. 40-42 (*cf.* 11-13)
 - b. The matter of Beelzebub (*see* 9:34; 12:22-32)

- IV.** Do not be fearful (three times)
 - a. Accusations vv. 16-23, 25
 - b. Death v. 28
 - c. Comparative value v. 31

- V.** How to be fearless
 - a. Speaking forthrightly v. 27
(*see* vv. 19-20)
 - b. Trust Providence vv. 31-33; 38-42
 - c. Understand that the conflict is created by Jesus vv. 34-37
(*see* Micah 7:5-7; Mal 4:4-6)