

LIFE IN THE KINGDOM

The Heart of Jesus

Matthew 9:55-10:1, 2 Cor. 5:14-20

ABIDE: WE ARE FULLY DEPENDENT ON GOD.

OBEY: WE READ THE WORD & LIVE WHAT JESUS TAUGHT.

Matthew 9:35-10:1,5 (Common English Bible)

9:35 Jesus traveled among all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, announcing the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

9:36 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were troubled and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

9:37 Then he said to his disciples, "The size of the harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers.

9:38 Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest."

10:1 He called his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to throw them out and to heal every disease and every sickness.

10:5 Jesus sent these twelve out.

DISCUSS

v.35 What was Jesus doing? What was he teaching? What is the good news?

v.36 The crowds (who are they?) What did Jesus have for them? How does he see them?

DO WE HAVE THE HEART OF JESUS FOR OTHERS?

1 Cor. 13: 13 If I speak in tongues of human beings and of angels but I don't have love, I'm a clanging gong or a clashing cymbal.

*ALL people are made in the image of God. We are all image bearers,
some people just don't know it or understand it yet.*

v.37 What is the problem? What harvest? What is the state of it?

v.38 What is solution, in the instruction given?

v.1, 5 Who is the solution?

The final instructions Jesus left:

Matthew 28:18-20

- 18 Jesus came near and spoke to them, "I've received all authority in heaven and on earth.
19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
20 teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you. Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age."

2 Cor. 5:18-20

- 18 All of these new things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and who *gave us the ministry of reconciliation*.
19 In other words, God was reconciling the world to himself through Christ, by not counting people's sins against them. He has *trusted us with this message of reconciliation*.
20 So *we are ambassadors who represent Christ*. God is negotiating with you through us. We beg you as Christ's representatives, "Be reconciled to God!"

SURRENDER: Aligning our inward will with the outward action Jesus taught.

WE WALK IN STEP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

HOW?

Pray: "Jesus, give me eyes to see people as image bearers, give me a heart filled with deep compassion, and push me to the harvest. Let me not be satisfied any longer with the status quo of lazy Christianity that doesn't compel me to do the things you did."

Do. What did Jesus do? WWCD? "I just want to be loved and want to love others. I don't want to be a crap human. It's not that hard." Do what Jesus did. Stop overcomplicating it. "Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind and love others as yourself."

HOPE SHOT: We are not in this alone. We work with the authority of Jesus, with the power of the Holy Spirit, to bring in a harvest bigger than we can even imagine.

GO: What is the truth God has revealed to you today? How will you take this out of the doors of Kaleo? "In response to the Holy Spirit and the teaching of Jesus, I will....."