



DIGGING DEEPER

Matthew 10v26-31 – Encouragements for Mission

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GETTING STARTED

‘Standing up for Jesus and defending the truth in a world that is hostile to the gospel is a scary place to be’ – Discuss...

Because of that threat, are we in danger of retreating and pulling back from the front line?

What’s the repeated message from Jesus in these few verses?

Jesus goes on to give us 3 reasons why...

1) ALL WILL BE REVEALED (V26-27)

How should that great ‘day of disclosure’ impact the way we view the ‘wolves’?

What is it that has been ‘whispered in our ear’? What should we do with it and why?

What does it look like for you to ‘get on the roof’ this coming week?

2) THE SOUL IS SAFE (V28)

How significant were these words for the first disciples? How significant are they for you?

Talk about the use of the word 'afraid' in v28. What is Jesus contrasting here?

What does a 'right fear' of God look like and how should that impact our evangelism?

3) GOD KNOWS AND GOD CARES (V29-31)

Why does Jesus use the analogy of 'counting hair' and 'falling sparrows'? How does that encourage you in your ongoing witness to the world?

Pray for a big view of God and for your fearless witness...

And don't forget your prayer cards!!

Meditate on the words of Paul below...

Rom 8v31-32: What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?