

**Series "Behold Your King"**  
**"Labor Until He Comes"**  
**Matthew 10:16-42**  
**Part-56**

Matthew 9:36

Matthew 10:16

Matthew 8-10 "The Authority of The King"

Matthew 10:5-42 Jesus is giving instruction to His laborers of how to work the fields.

Matthew 10:5-15 Jesus is instructing the twelve disciples on their very first mission.

Matthew 10:16-42 Jesus is instructing future disciples on their difficult mission that lies ahead.

1. Verses – 16-23 We are to Expect Opposition:
2. Verses – 24-31 We are Not to Be Afraid:
3. Verses – 32-39 We Must Confess Christ Openly:
4. Verses – 40-42 We Will Not Lack Rewards:

**1. Verses – 16-23 We are to Expect Opposition:**

**"Behold,** *"Oh look, look see"*

Matthew 9:37-38

**Therefore be shrewd as serpents,** Literally *"skilled, an expert, one who can put things together, who has insight and comprehension, one who has quick and correct perceptions"*

**And innocent as doves. Literally** *"harmless, without guile, unmixed, pure"*

Verse-17 Persecution from Organized Religion:

Verses- 18-20 Government Shared Persecution:

Verses- 21-22 Family Shared Persecution:

2 Timothy 3:1-5

Matthew 10:23

Persecution Benefit is Spreading The Gospel:

## **2. Verses – 24-31 We are Not to Be Afraid:**

Verses – 24-25 We Should Expect To Suffer Like Jesus:

Name Calling: If they have called the head of the house  
Beelzebul,

26 "Therefore do not fear them,  
28 "And do not fear those who kill the body,  
31 "Therefore do not fear;

Three Reasons that God says "Do not fear"

Reason 1# Verses – 26-27 Don't Fear, Because The Truth Will  
Triumph:

Romans 2:16

Reason 2# Verse – 28 Don't Fear Man, Because The Soul Matters  
More Than The Body:

Mark 8:36-37

Proverbs 29:25

Reason 3# Verses – 29-31 Don't Fear, Because God Will Care For  
His Own:

### **3. Verses – 32-39 We Must Confess Christ Openly:**

Verses – 32-33 God Honors Those That Confess Him:

Verse – 34 We Cannot Escape Conflict:

Verses – 35-37 Love God More Than Ones Family:

Verses – 38-39 Love God More Than Life Itself:

**Take his cross and follow after Me** *First time "Cross" is used. To "carry the cross" "to confess Jesus and obey Him in spite of shame and suffering. It means to die to self daily."*

### **4. Verses – 40-42 We Will Not Lack Rewards:**

A Prophet's Reward -

A Righteous Man's Reward -

Matthew 10:42

A Disciples Reward -

Nehemiah 13:31 Remember me, O my God, for good.

1 Corinthians 15:58

### **Application:**

1. We are to Expect Opposition: Jesus never held back on the hardships of being a disciple.

2. We are Not to Be Afraid: The truth will come out, the soul matters, God cares for us.

3. We Must Confess Christ Openly: Love God supremely, over family and even our lives.

4. We Will Not Lack Rewards: What ever we do with Jesus will never be forgotten.