

Proclaiming the Kingdom
Matthew 10:1-15

Review:

1. Travelling light expresses our trust in God's providence
2. Instead of feathering our own nests, we should keep our focus on the glory of God and the good of others
3. We must proclaim the kingdom of God, urging everyone to submit to the authority of Christ before it's too late
4. We must share the healing we have received from Christ if we want others to believe what we proclaim about His love

Go further: Read Romans 12

1. In verse 1, what does Paul say we should present as a sacrifice to God?
2. How does Paul say we should be transformed? What will this transformation allow us to understand?
3. In verse 3, how does Paul say we should think about ourselves?
4. What has God given to each one of his people?
5. In verse 4, what does Paul say is true about the different members, or parts of our bodies?
6. In verse 5, how does Paul describe the relationship between the different members of the church?
7. How does Paul say we should use our different spiritual gifts?
8. In verse 9, what does Paul say love should have no part of?
9. How should Christians treat things that are evil and things that are good?
10. In verse 14, how does Paul say we should treat those who persecute us?
11. In verse 15, what does Paul say we should do to express our sympathy with others?
12. In verse 16, how does Paul say we should think about other people? How should we consider ourselves?
13. How does Paul describe proper relationships with others in verses 17 and 18?
14. What does Paul say about Christians seeking vengeance in verse 19? Whose job is it to do justice?
15. Quoting from Proverbs 25:21-22, how does Paul say we should treat our enemies in verse 20? What do you think it means to "heap coals of fire" on someone's head?
16. In verse 21, how does Paul say we should try to overcome evil?

Apply:

1. Looking at the list of gifts in Romans 12:6-8, which of these do you think God has given you? What other gifts do you think you have that you can use for the glory of God and the good of others?
2. In verses 10 through 13, Paul gives several examples of how Christians can serve one another and serve the Lord. Which of these do you find easiest? Which is the most difficult for you? Which of these do you think would be most surprising and attractive to a non-Christian?
3. What changes do you need to make in the way you interact with other people in order to be a more winsome witness for Christ?