

Matthew 10:5-15
The Ministry of Jesus Extended

- I. The Target Group of the Mission.
 - A. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. (Jeremiah 50:6; Matt 9:36; Matt 15:24)
 - B. A time-sensitive mission. (Romans 15:8-9)
 - C. The mission extended after the Resurrection. (Matt 28:19-20; 1Peter 2:25; Rev 7:9)

- II. The Focus of the Mission.
 - A. What the messengers knew, they could repeat.
 - B. The message is the medium. (Verse 7; Matt 4:17; Matt 28:18)
 - C. The message is evidenced by the miracles. (Verse 8)
 - D. If the household is worthy, let your peace come upon it. (Verse 13; 3John 5-8)

- III. The Means for the Mission.
 - A. Freely you have received, freely give. (Verse 8; Isaiah 53:6; Rom 8:32; Rev 21:6; Acts 3:6; 8:18)
 - B. Provide neither gold nor silver nor copper in your money belts...(Verse 9; 1Cor 9:14)
 - C. Inquire who in it is worthy and stay there until you go out. (Verse 11; Acts 16:15)

- IV. Maintaining the Mission Today.
 - A. The ministry of Christ and his apostles provide the foundation for proclaiming the coming of the kingdom of heaven. (Col 2:9-10)
 - B. God continues to provide all the resources needed for the spread of the gospel.
 - C. God will provide hearers for the gospel when it is proclaimed. (2Tim 2:19)
 - D. The gospel is given away freely by those who have received it.
 - E. Bringing the gospel requires discernment on the part of the messenger.
 - F. With the coming of the messenger comes the blessing of peace!