

Matthew 10:16-42

Intro/Starter

What might be some of the differences between an admirer of Jesus and a follower of Jesus?

Promises for Jesus' followers

Read Matthew 10:16-33.

What is the task Jesus gives to his followers?

What are some of the difficulties, and opposition, they will encounter?

What encouragement and assurance does Jesus give in the midst of these difficulties and opposition?

Perseverance in the Gospel

Read Matthew 10:34-42.

In what way does Jesus' peace actually also bring conflict (vv. 34-36)?

What is the demand that Jesus makes on those who would follow him (vv. 37-39)?

What are the rewards (vv. 39-42)?

Conclusion/Application

How might an admirer of Jesus respond to his words in this passage? How might a follower of Jesus respond?