

MATTHEW – LESSON SIX

- I. FIRST COMMISSION OF THE APOSTLES (Matthew 9:36-10:42).**
- A. The Occasion of the Commission – Jesus’ compassion for the lost multitude (9:36-38).
 - B. The Names and Empowerment of the Twelve (10:1-4).
 - C. Jesus Gives the Commission to the Twelve (10:5-8).
 - D. Jesus instructs the Twelve concerning their Means of Support (10:9-10).
 - E. Jesus instructs the Twelve concerning How They Should deal with the People (10:11-15).
 - F. Jesus warns the Twelve of Persecutions that lie ahead (10:16-23).
 - G. Jesus provides the Twelve with Motives for Endurance (10:24-33).
 - H. Persecutions Intended as a Test (10:34-39).
 - I. Kind Treatment of Disciples to the Rewarded (10:40-42).

QUESTIONS:

1. While many were moved by Jesus’ preaching and miracles to gather around Him, what was their true condition before the eyes of the Lord?
2. What possibilities did the Lord see among the multitudes?
What does Jesus say to do to meet the present need?
3. Jesus called “twelve disciples” to be “twelve _____” ?
What is the distinction?
4. Give a “short bio” for each of the Twelve:
 - a. Simon, called Peter –
 - b. Andrew –
 - c. James, son of Zebedee –
 - d. John, brother of James –
 - e. Philip-
 - f. Bartholomew-
 - g. Thomas –

- h. Matthew –
 - i. James, son of Alphaeus –
 - j. Thaddaeus –
 - k. Simon –
 - l. Judas Iscariot –
5. To whom does Jesus send the Twelve in this first commission?
 6. What were the Twelve to *preach* and to *do* in connection with the preaching?
 7. What had they *freely* received that they were to *freely* give?
 8. Why does Jesus limit the Twelve’s provisions as they journey to fulfill their commission from the Lord?
 9. Were the Twelve not to have a coat, wear shoes, or have a stave as they journeyed to fulfill the Lord’s commission?
 10. What was the standard the Twelve were to use to determine if a house were “worthy”?
 11. If a house were, what two things were the Apostles to do regarding that house?
 12. If a house were not worthy, what two things were the Apostles to do regarding that house?
 13. What “principle” underlying the Judgment is present in Jesus’ comments about Sodom and Gomorrah?

14. How did Jesus want his Twelve Apostles to act as they would be face danger as sheep in the midst of wolves?
15. What kind of inspiration were the Apostles to have when they were brought before governors and kings?
16. What kind of persecutions did Jesus warn His Twelve Apostles that were ahead of them?
17. Did the son of man come as Jesus promised in verse 23?
Explain your answer-
18. Why should the Twelve not FEAR?
19. Why should God be feared, and not men who can take your life?
20. How important is confessing the Lord before men?
22. In what sense did Jesus not come to send peace?
23. What *two actions* show that we *are not worthy* of the Lord?
24. What does Jesus mean by teaching of losing one's life in order to find it?
25. By receiving the Twelve Apostles one would be receiving whom?
26. Is it important as to *why* we receive and help others?