

Today's Passage: Matthew 10:16-39

Serving the Lord is not free. It requires us to put skin in the game.

Vs. 16-25

1. The authority and power of the shepherd is our defense.

Matthew 7:15–16, John 15:18–19, John 3:20–21

Hebrews 4:12–13

Vs. 26-33

2. There's no need to fear cause

Jesus is here.

1 Corinthians 15:55-57, James 2:19

Vs. 34-39

3. Acknowledging Jesus in our family can cost us our family.

Isaiah 9:6, Matthew 5:9, Ephesians 5:22,25, 6:1-2, 4

1 Timothy 5:8

Take away verse: Matthew 10:32-33

³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men,

I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.