



“Stick It Out”; Matthew 10:12-25; Sept. 10, 2023

- 1. While sharing our faith is to be with all people, we can start with the people we already know.**
 - 2. Our message is: The kingdom of heaven has come near.**
 - 3. The kingdom of heaven is right there when we see or participate in the sick being healed, the dead being raised, and demons being exorcised.**
 - 4. Our faith is a gift and it is to be offered freely**
 - 5. God is with you and will give you everything you need, rely on Him.**
 - 6. God will often provide through others.**
 - 7. Always be grateful for the free gift you have received and continue to give.**
- 8. The kingdom has come and is continuing to arrive, therefore the time is now to share our faith.**

“The mission of the church to the nations is not a mundane historical project initiated and carried on by persons who want to impose their religious views on others, but is a part of God’s eschatological plan to bring all nations into the kingdom of God. -M. Eugene Boring

9. Refusal will come, when it does act gracefully.

Shaking the dust is not a reason to outwardly condemn and judge. It’s not passive aggressive or mean. But it is a sign of releasing responsibility of accepting the kingdom to others.

10. Look at and reflect Jesus in moments of conflict.

“But when Christ reigns, we are invited into a hallowed life. One that lives out the call of Christ deeply, loves widely, and forgives wildly. These words can sound blissful but that are the very words and actions that cost Jesus his life.” -Mary Rearick Paul

11. We are not exempt from enduring the same things Jesus endured. He stuck it out. We can stick it out too.

“If Two people given a 5 year hard labor contract and one is told he’ll get \$5 million at the end while the other is told he’ll get \$150k at the end. One will want to quit the other will whistle while he works. Why? The way we live now is controlled by what we believe about our future. A new heaven and earth as a hope changes your reality.” -Lecrae