

Being The Light

Troubling The Darkness - Week 8 (8-24-22)

Acts 10:37-38

I. The Progression of Mark 1

A. Mark 1:21-34

1. From the “church”

a) War Room Scene - “I’d like to see the church in you”

b) Know and Own what you have

(1) Jesus was able to “go about doing good and healing” because God was with Him and He knew it

(a) 2 Peter 1:3 - The better you know God, the more equipped you are for life and Godliness.

i) You need to know that the world needs what you have! And you can’t minister it to the world unless you already know what you have been given.

ii) Matt. 5:13-16

(b) You can’t give what you don’t have and you can’t minister something that you haven’t developed in for yourself or “owned”.

i) If we are going to help create clarity and stability and simplicity, then we must learn how to operate and be solid in those things.

c) The church building is much like our physical body.

2. To The Home

a) The step we tend to skip

b) This is our first duty in the mission field. Your family is your first and foremost discipleship grounds

(1) This is where influencing the world with the gospel begins.

(a) If we can’t do it here, we won’t do it anywhere.

i) 1 Timothy 3:1-5

(b) See notes on back*

(2) The family unit is sacred and ordained by God

(a) We have been called to be fruitful and multiply

(b) We are also responsible for teaching our children

i) Duet. 6:6-9

(3) Neighborhood Christian Schools and Ozark Christian Academy

3. To The City

a) Last week we mostly spoke about the call that everyone has on their life.

(1) Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind and love your neighbor as yourself.

b) Loving our neighbor will come out of a genuine love for God.

- (1) Jesus was moved with compassion many times for people, and we know it was because He shared the heart of the Father everywhere He went.
 - (a) Jesus did the ministry that He did BECAUSE God was with Him.
 - i) Is God with YOU?
 - (b) Your love for God will eventually become your love for people.
 - (2) We will want to minister to people when we realize what we have, and that people need what we have.
- c) Matt. 5:13-16 - Be The Light
- d) James 1:27 - Pure religion

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“They (families) bear the primary responsibility for the education and socialization of children as well as instilling values of citizenship and belonging in the society....they should be helped and empowered in every possible way. Governments cannot afford to fully replace the functions families perform for the benefit of their members and for the good of society. The family is the most powerful, the most humane and, by far, the most economical system known for building competence and character. Still, families do better in a supportive policy environment—one in which, for example, schools actively seek parental engagement; employers recognize that workers are also family members; agencies and organizations are family-centered in their philosophy and operation; and laws support family members’ roles as caregivers, parents, partners, and workers.”