



MIGHTY MEN OF GOD

Week One: “The Suggestions of Christ”

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I. Introduction

- So how do you make a disciple?
- What was Jesus’ plan?
“... *teaching them to **observe** all that I commanded you...*” – Matthew 28:20
- What are we to be teaching them?
To observe all that Jesus _____

Observe – *tereo* – to watch over, guard, to observe closely, to hold fast

II. Accomplishing the Impossible

- Jesus final command was to teach all His commands
- Actually, it was to “teach them to _____ all my commandments”
- Teaching people to *know* all His commands is the easy part
- Teaching people to *observe* all His commands is _____

Mark 10:25-27 – The rich man

- Jesus was asking this man to do the impossible
- To teach people to obey all the commands of Jesus is impossible

A. Our inability. God’s glory.

- What is the ultimate goal of keeping His commands?
- That God be _____
- Not that we be _____
- In our obedience, God is displayed as the one who makes it all _____
- His commands, done in His power, for His glory!

B. Who Jesus Is. What Jesus Commands.

- These two are _____
- His _____ is the manifestation of the glory of God – John 14:9
- His _____ is a manifestation of the glory of God – John 17:4
- When we see *what* He did and *how* He did it, we see the majesty and glory of God

WHAT HE IS COMMANDING IS A LIFE THAT DISPLAYS THE WORTH OF HIS PERSON AND THE EFFECT OF HIS WORK!

C. Transformed Lives. Transferred Glory.

- Why would Jesus “demand” that we obey His commands?
- The obedience He demands is the fruit of His _____
- It is to display His _____
- Jesus came to create a people who would glorify His person and His works by bearing the _____ of His kingdom – Matthew 21:43

D. We can't. But because of Him, we can!

- This is NOT about us, it is about Him
- How could Zaccheus give away half of his possessions to the poor?
- His _____ was the result of Christ's _____

III. What's In It For Us?

- Our obedience brings glory to God
- But what do we get as a result?

1. The joy of showing our _____ for Christ– John 14:15
2. The assurance that we _____ in Christ's love – John 15:10
3. We're able to _____ Christ's love – 1 John 2:5
4. We have God's _____ with us – John 14:23
5. We _____ God's love – John 14:21
6. We know God _____ – 1 John 2:3
7. We reveal the _____ of our relationship – 1 John 2:4
8. We enjoy the privilege of being a _____ of Christ – John 15:14
9. Having your prayers _____ – 1 John 3:22
10. We bear much _____ – John 15:7-8
11. The joy of _____ one another – 1 John 5:2-3
12. Knowing you're a _____ disciple – John 13:34-35
13. We demonstrate _____ love – John 15:12-13