On Account of His Name (Matthew 10:22)

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INTRODUCTION

- It seems like every generation of people picks on the young folks.
- Poor knowledge coupled with poor sources of information. This is what I've seen of late.
- You know what young people are doing, don't you? They're being young people. And that's not a bad thing.

1 Hated by All on Account of My Name

Matthew 10:22; Matthew 10:16; Matthew 10:28

- Remind you about what true discipleship to Jesus involves. And what loyalty to Jesus looks like in our lives.
- You will be hated by all on account of my name. But it is the one who has endured to the end that will be saved.
- This salvation business, whatever you want to say about salvation is going to involve that word endure.
- The gospel message is not innocuous. It's not non toxic, harmless or safe.

2 A Narrow Way: I Am Not the King

1 Corinthians 15:1–2

- Yes, indeed, this is a narrow way. And preaching the narrow way and preaching the gospel will be unpopular to the masses.
- I don't get to manufacture religion in my own image or in regard to my own preferences of how I would like it to be.
- I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preach to you, which also you receive, in which also you stand.
- Submission to a higher authority has never been that popular. And it isn't always easy. But it must remain the goal. I am not the king.

3 We Need to Be Praying for Our Young Folks

Ephesians 1:18–19; Ephesians 3:16–19

- This is not all a message of negativity where our young people are concerned.
- We need to be praying for our young folks. They're going through a tough time.
- I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of your calling.

- Some who divert from the course will repent and return in time.

4 Show Our Young People We Fervently Love God

- I want to talk to us older folks about what we can show our young people. What they need to see in us.
- We can show our young people that we really fervently love God. That we're not just going through the motions, that we're not stuck in a rut.
- And not just in our love for God, but in our love for people.
- Let us always be clear that we love people and want them to go to heaven.

5 Let Us Worship Passionately

- Because we love people and because we love God. Let us worship passionately.
- Let's think about the songs we're choosing and the impact they will have.
- Don't be content with doing things the way we've always done them. But looking for ways to enliven them.

6 We're Not Going to Give Up on the Way

Matthew 10:22

- What we need to show our young people. That we're not going to give up on the way.
- I'm going to show them the example of steady faithfulness to God.
- I'm going to keep walking this way because they need to see that in me. They need to see commitment and perseverance.

THE CHALLENGE

Submit to his loving rule. It's tailor-made for you. His yoke is easy. And his burden is light.

MY NOTES