



Matthew 10v26-31

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**Mt 10: Jesus sends out the twelve with...**

- **Clear Instructions** – of what to do
- **Realistic Expectations** – of what will be

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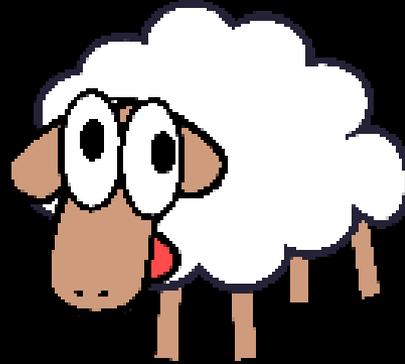
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**V26:** 'So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.'

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**V27:** What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs.



**Mt 5v14-16:** You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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*In our evangelism are we led more by a wrong fear of man or a holy fear of God?*

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*“To fear the Lord is the only way to overcome the paralysing effects of human fear, which will otherwise stop us leading authentic Christian lives.”*

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**V29:** Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care.



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**Psalm 56v8:** You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle.  
(ESV)

**Rom 8v31-32:** What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

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