

"The Second Mile"

Scripture Lesson: - Matthew 5:

Text: - Matthew 5: 47. "What do ye more than others?"

Introduction: - Christians make a strong impression. Being followers of Christ means much more than most of us realize. If we profess more, we should do more!

I.

It is implied that Christ expects us to do something.

1. Although salvation is not by works, it might be said that good works promote our salvation.
2. Christ expects us to go the second mile. (V. 41)
3. Christ expects us to be a liberal giver. (V. 42)
(V. 44)
4. Christ expects us to love our enemies.
5. Christ expects us to forgive. (V. 24)

II.

Why Should We, Go Farther, Give Better, Love Deeper, and Forgive More Readily?

Because,

1. we have more light.
2. Have a great Savior.
3. we were redeemed on Cross.
4. We were saved as great sinners.
5. We were freely forgiven.

III.

Many Church Members Do Less.

1. Some church members hold a grudge.

2. Some church members "go only one mile".
3. Some church members salute only their equals.

IV.

How May One Get Second Mile Religion?

1. Confess our sins to God sincerely.
2. Repent of our coldness wholeheartedly.
3. Go On to Perfection. As exhorted by Jesus

v. 48.

Conclusion:-

1. Although salvation is not by works, still that good works promote our salvation.
2. Christ expects us to go the second mile. (19.V)
3. Christ expects us to be a liberal giver. (20.V)
4. Christ expects us to love our enemies. (21.V)
5. Christ expects us to forgive. (22.V)

V.

we should go further, give better, love less, and forgive more readily.

1. we have more light.
2. we have a great Savior.
3. we were reborn on roses.
4. we were saved as great sinners.
5. we were freely forgiven.

VII

Some church members do less, some church members hold a grudge.