

**SUNDAY SCHOOL (COMBINED)**  
**Text: Matthew 10**

**15 January 2017**

**SERIES: A CALL TO SERVE III**

**GENERAL WORDS OF WARNING**

1. Not limited to this brief mission
2. General principles to be borne in mind

**USE OF IMAGERY**

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| 1. Sent out like sheep    | Matthew 10:16 |
| 2. In the midst of wolves | Matthew 10:16 |
| 3. Be wise as serpents    | Matthew 10:16 |
| 4. Harmless as doves      | Matthew 10:16 |

**HIGHLIGHTING CHARACTERISTICS**

1. Contrast to be noted
  - a) Sheep and Wolves
  - b) What wolves are like: -
    - i) Ferocious
    - ii) Cunning
    - iii) Predator
  - c) Sheep in contrast: -  
None of the above
2. Contrast again to be noted
  - a) Serpents
    - i) Deadly
    - ii) Cunning
    - iii) Poisonous
  - b) Dove in contrast: -

None of the above

## **IMPORTANT WORD**

### 1. Persecution forewarned

Beware of men	Matthew 10:17
a) They will deliver you to councils 10:17	Matthew
b) They will scourge you in synagogues	Matthew 10:17
c) You will be brought before governors and kings 10:18	Matthew
i) For My sake	
ii) As a testimony to them	
iii) And to the Gentiles	

### 2. Appropriate Response

Do not worry	Matthew 10:19
a) About what you should speak	
b) About how you should speak	
c) It will be given to you in that hour what you should speak	
d) The Spirit of your Father will speak in you!	Matthew 10:20

### 3. Some enemies identified

a) Brother will deliver brother to death	Matthew 10:21
b) Father his child	Matthew 10:21
c) Children will rise up against their parents	Matthew 10:21

### 4. Great suffering foretold

a) Hated by all for My name's sake	Matthew 10:22a
b) Persecution to be expected	Matthew 10:23a

## 5. Coping with persecution

- a) Blessed is he who endures Matthew 10:22b
- b) Fleeing from persecution (where possible) Matthew 10:23b

## 6. The Son of Man

- a) He is present
- b) He will come to our rescue Matthew 10:23