

# Sermon Notes

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## **The Grace to be a Good Witness**

John 16:7-8, Matthew 10:17-20

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**John 16:7 It is to your advantage to have the Helper**

The Helper is the Holy Spirit.

“Helper” often referred to someone who helps another at a trial.

**Matt. 10:17 Jesus sends disciples into difficult circumstances**

Even in the face of opposition and persecution, we are to testify about Jesus.

**10:18-20 When testifying, do not worry what you shall speak**

**the Spirit helps**

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**John 16:8 The Holy Spirit convicts non-Christians of sin**

So He is not only at work in us when we are testifying, He may be at work in the person we are talking to.

**Let's prepare with prayer** (Colossians 4:2, Ephesians 6:19)

Pray for open doors, opportunities to share Christ.

And that you would be alert to those opportunities.

Pray you would be given the words to speak.

And that you would boldly speak of Jesus Christ.

**Challenge:**

Commit to being a willing witness for Christ.

Pray these things every day through Christmas.

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What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Related reading: 1 Peter 3:14-15, Colossians 4:5-6

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Application questions for 10/25/2015 sermon

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How does it currently affect your sharing about Christ knowing that you might face rejection and suffering if you share Christ with non-Christians?

Getting the perspective that Jesus knows you will suffer and wants you to share anyway, does that change the way you think about sharing Christ with non-Christians? How?

(Make sure so make it to these questions, and have everyone answer.)

Knowing you have the Holy Spirit to help you testify about Christ, does that change how you view the prospect of witnessing for Christ?

Are you still worried about testifying for Christ to non-Christians? What is the worry?

Will you take the challenge to be a willing witness, and pray for two months, the things we were challenged to pray, to see what God may do through you?

Where are you putting those things to pray, so you will be reminded to pray them daily?

Bonus:

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?