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DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Read Matthew 10:22, and Isaiah 41:10-13 What difficulties are the apostles told to expect? How are they to deal with the persecutions that come as a result of preaching the message of Christ?

R E A D Matt. 10: 22-26

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- Jesus says that Christians will even be hated and delivered to death by their own family member (Matt. 10:21). However, Jesus offers us a bit of comfort concerning the intense hatred which His followers may endure (Matt. 10:22). Reflecting on your Christian life experiences, how does this comfort you?
- Remember, Jesus has told His apostles that there are people everywhere who need to hear the Gospel message. (Matt. 9:35-38). Consequently, if you're being persecuted (see 10:23) what should you do and why?
- In his message Pastor Larry referenced John 17:14-19 concerning us being "not of the world". Pastor Larry reminded us that Jesus' plan is not to take us out of the world but to send us into the world to bring the light of Christ into the darkness of the world. Reflecting on your walk, how have you seen God using you to bring light into the darkness?
- If it is enough for students to be like their teachers, then what goal should we have?
- Read Matt. 10:24-25. If we are to be like Jesus, we are to suffer as He suffered. How could that understanding effect a person's willingness to accept Christ into the life?

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