

Busy with Series Entrusted – Part 2

2 Timothy 2:2 ... the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses
ENTRUST to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

Some important words

ENTRUST [Paratithemi]– to place into the care or protection of someone]

Reliable [Pestos] – faithful, dependable, trustworthy.

Qualified [Hikanos] – Worthy, able, competent.

The “things” - What is the good news?

- That the kingdom of God, the Age to Come
- Has broken into our world in and through Jesus.
- And “in” and “through” him, God is making all things new.

PEOPLE DIAGRAM

Where did Paul get this idea from.

- Jesus called 12 men whom he would train.
- John 13
- Matthew 28

What do you learn from this?

- In order to see this happen.
- There will have to be an enormous amount of ...
- Teaching and training taking place.

PEOPLE DIAGRAM 2

Every follower of Jesus, must become a great teacher.

What makes an outstanding teacher outstanding?

1. They always train with the End in Mind

What are we working towards?

In John 10, Jesus talks about himself as the good shepherd.

In **John 10:10** Jesus says, “I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

What does it mean to have life to the Full?

- Jet Ski
- Dream Holiday (Bora-Bora) – Somehow in my lifetime ...

- Dream House and car.

The word “life” or “zoe” appears 36 times in the book of John

- And is never used in the sense of “natural life” or “biological life,”
- But always with the meaning of “real life” or “true life” ...
- Or the life of the age to come.
- In the book of John “Life” and “Eternal Life” are used interchangeably

That we can have life in him, right here and now.

John 17:3 Jesus prayed and said, ³ Now this is eternal life ... [zōē aiōnios]

zōē aiōnios → Life of the Age

- But was used in Jewish writings before and around the NT to mean ...
- “Life of the age to come.”

According to John, the Father “has life in himself” (5:26).

- Furthermore, the Father “has granted the Son also to have life in himself.”

Now Jesus is saying and praying, Now this is eternal life ... [zōē aiōnios] that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

We can have the life of the age to come, right here and now.

- By knowing God and knowing Jesus.

John 3:30 “He must become greater and I must become less.”

That is the Goal of the Shepherd.

- To help the Sheep/ Student/Ma-thee-tees
- Become like Jesus, find their Joy in Jesus and do the work of Jesus.
- As they reflect his rule, reign, love, wisdom and mercy into the world.

----- JESUS

2. Their Servants Towel is Huge and it Used

We live in a culture that loves self.

- Vlog’s, YouTube channels
- Facebook, Instagram

What do they all have in common?

- #Selfie

Millennials (age 18-34) will take 25,000 selfies over their lifetime.

Mark 10:35–45 ³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.” ³⁶ “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.

³⁷ They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.”

When the age to come, comes.

- And you set all things right.
- You deal with evil and you rule and reign in the world in your glory.
- Can we set on your left, and right?

#Selfie

⁴⁰ ... to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.” ⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John.

⁴² Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you.

Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

He doesn't say that they should have ambition (or shouldn't be ambitious)

- He doesn't say that they should want to be great.
- He is just redefining greatness saying ...
- Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant.

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The Shepherds Life is a Life of Service.

- He will do anything to help the Ma-thee-ties
- To be formed in the Image of Christ.
- To help them become more like Jesus, find their joy in Jesus
- And do the work of Jesus.

Their towel is huge and their towel is used!

- It is a labour of love.

Rob & Sandy

3. They are Forever Praying for their Mathētēs

Paul is such a brilliant example of this.

Ephesians 1:16–19 ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.

Constantly praying for his Mathētēs.

- Give them a spirit of wisdom and revelation so that they may know you better.

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

Pray that the eyes of their heart will be enlightened.

- That is a good prayer to pray for ourselves.
- Praying it for those whom he is teaching and training.

Philippians 1:3–6 ³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

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Colossians 1:3–5 ³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people—⁵ the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel

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2 Timothy 1:3 ³ I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers.

...

2 Thessalonians 1:11–12 ¹¹ ... we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith.

¹² We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Romans 1:9–10 ⁹ God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you ¹⁰ in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

The outstanding teacher/ trainer is always praying for his mathētēs.

- Praying for their walk with God.
- Pray for the character development, challenges that they are facing.
- Growth opportunities.
- ...

What can I do to help? Where can I serve ...

4. Shows you before they Tell you

John 10:3-4 ³ ...He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

He Leads them Out.

- He doesn't just Tell them the Way; he SHOWS them the Way.

1 Corinthians 11:1 ¹ Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

"You cannot give what you do not have and you cannot help but give what you do have."

"The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates." William Arthur Ward

Lesson I had to learn in marriage.

Ephesians 5:25 ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ...

Marriage: The Husband must show his Wife the Way.

- Model Humility.
- Model Vulnerability.
- Model Repentance.
- ...

That I do it so many times that when she faces the same thing ...

- That picture comes to mind.

Our role is to Influence; not Control.

MENTAL PICTURES

If “your” Student is Confronted with a Cross Roads in their Life.

- Whether that Cross road is...
- Dealing with Disappointment.
- Someone treating them in an unfair manner...
- ...

They should have a dozen Memories jump to mind...

- Of you handling a Similar situation in a Christ like manner.
- You should put “flesh” on the life of Jesus for them.
- Right here, right now.

The only way to do this, is that you have to be with them.

- Remember Mark 3 – Jesus called to him those that he wanted.
- So that they could be with him.