

# Ministry of God's Word

## Matthew 28:19-20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

## Luke 11:28

He replied, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it."

## Luke 24:46-47

He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem..."

## Acts 12:24

But the word of God continued to spread and flourish.

## Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

## Acts 4:31

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

## Acts 6:7

So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

## Colossians 1:25

I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness...

## Evangelism

**Matthew 24:14** And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

**Mark 16:15** He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation..."

**Luke 4:43** But he said, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent."

**Luke 8:1** After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God.

**Acts 20:24** However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.

**Romans 10:14** How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?

**1 Corinthians 1:17** For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel...

**1 Corinthians 9:14** In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel.

**Philippians 1:4-6** In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now...

## Preaching

**Matthew 11:1** After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee.

**Mark 1:38** Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come."

**Mark 2:2** They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

**Acts 8:4** Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.

**Acts 15:35** But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, where they and many others taught and preached the word of the Lord.

**1 Timothy 4:13** Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching.

**1 Timothy 5:17** The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.

**2 Timothy 4:2** Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

## Teaching

**Deuteronomy 4:9** Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

**Deuteronomy 11:19** Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up...

**Mark 1:21** They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach.

**Mark 6:34** When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

**Acts 2:42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

**Acts 5:21** At daybreak they [the Apostles] entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people.

**Acts 18:11** So Paul stayed in Corinth for a year and a half, teaching them the word of God.

**Galatians 6:6** Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor.

**Titus 2:1** You, however, must teach what is appropriate to sound doctrine.

## Discipleship

**Matthew 16:24** Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

**Matthew 28:19-20** "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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

**Ephesians 4:11-13** It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

**Colossians 1:28** He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.

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

**Hebrews 13:7** Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

# Ministry of God's Mercy

## Psalm 6:9

The Lord has heard my cry for mercy; the Lord accepts my prayer.

## Psalm 25:6

Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Psalm 28:6

Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

## Hosea 6:6

For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.

## Micah 6:8

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

## Matthew 25:31-40

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me...'

## Luke 6:36

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

## Luke 10:37

The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

## Romans 11:30

Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you.

## Poor and Needy

**Deuteronomy 15:11** There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land.

**Psalm 9:18** But God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish.

**Psalm 12:5** "Because the poor are plundered and the needy groan, I will now arise," says the Lord. "I will protect them from those who malign them."

**Psalm 35:10** My whole being will exclaim, "Who is like you, Lord? You rescue the poor from those too strong for them, the poor and needy from those who rob them."

**Psalm 140:12** I know that the Lord secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy.

**Proverbs 14:31** He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.

**Proverbs 19:17** He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done.

**Proverbs 31:9** Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.

**Isaiah 41:17** "The poor and needy search for water, but there is none; their tongues are parched with thirst. But I the Lord will answer them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them.

**Jeremiah 22:16** "He defended the cause of the poor and needy, and so all went well. Is that not what it means to know me?" declares the Lord.

**Matthew 6:3-4** But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

## Prisoners

**Psalm 102:19-20** "The Lord looked down from his sanctuary on high, from heaven he viewed the earth, to hear the groans of the prisoners and release those condemned to death."

**Isaiah 42:7** to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

**Isaiah 51:14** The cowering prisoners will soon be set free; they will not die in their dungeon, nor will they lack bread.

**Matthew 25:36** "...I was in prison and you came to visit me."

**Luke 4:18** "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners..."

**Hebrews 10:34** For you had compassion on those in prison...

**Hebrews 13:3** Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

## Food, Clothing and Shelter

**Deuteronomy 10:18** He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing.

**Psalms 107:8-9** Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

**Isaiah 58:6-8** "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe him...?"

**Ezekiel 18:16** He does not oppress anyone or require a pledge for a loan. He does not commit robbery but gives his food to the hungry and provides clothing for the naked.

**Matthew 25:35-36** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me...

**Romans 12:20** On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

**James 2:14-16** What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?

## Healing and Recovery

**Psalms 22:24** For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.

**Matthew 4:24** News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them.

**Matthew 9:35** And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

**Matthew 14:14** When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

**Matthew 15:30** Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them.

**Luke 9:2** When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

**Luke 9:11** He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed healing.

**2 Corinthians 1:4** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

# Ministry of God's Justice

## Psalm 33:5

The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

Psalm 45:6

Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever; a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.

## Psalm 72:2

May he judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.

## Psalm 89:14

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.

## Psalm 106:3 B

lessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right.

## Psalm 111:7

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

## Proverbs 21:3

To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.

## Isaiah 58:6

"Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke?"

## Widows and Orphans

**Deuteronomy 10:18** He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow...

**Deuteronomy 24:17** Do not deprive the foreigner or the fatherless of justice, or take the cloak of the widow as a pledge.

**Deuteronomy 27:19** "Cursed is anyone who withholds justice from the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow."

**Psalm 68:5** A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

**Psalm 82:3** Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless...

**Isaiah 1:17** Stop doing wrong, learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow.

**James 1:27** Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

## Oppressed

**Psalm 72:14** He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight.

**Psalm 82:3** ... maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed.

**Psalm 102:17** He will respond to the prayer of the destitute; he will not despise their plea.

**Psalm 103:6** The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

**Psalm 146:7** He upholds the cause of the oppressed...

**Proverbs 31:8** Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.

**Isaiah 1:17** Stop doing wrong, learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed...

## Helpless Victims

**Psalm 10:12** Arise, Lord! Lift up your hand, O God. Do not forget the helpless.

**Proverbs 28:15** Like a roaring lion or a charging bear is a wicked man ruling over a helpless people.

**Psalm 41:1** Blessed are those who have regard for the weak; the Lord delivers them in times of trouble.

**Psalm 72:13** He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death.

**Psalm 82:4** Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

**Isaiah 40:29** He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

**Matthew 9:36** When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

**Acts 20:35** In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak...