

get on with it

introduction

This meeting on sharing our faith (Matthew 9:35-38) requires some advance preparation. First, make a banner titled, “Get on With It.” Second, obtain a small item to give to the students that will help them remember the message of the Bible study. Be creative. For example, you may want to give students a small rock or pebble from the school courtyard, telling them that each object represents a student who doesn’t know Jesus. Encourage the students to keep the items for an entire year, placing them in their rooms to serve as a reminder to pray for those who need Jesus.

message

1. Jesus reached out and ministered to the needs of the group and the needs of the individual. You and I can follow this example by dedicating our lives to sharing our faith—by our words and actions—with all those we come in contact with. Notice what Jesus did in Matthew 9:35. He not only preached to the crowds, but He also healed individuals, meeting people one-on-one at their point of need. Think about it. Perhaps there are people in our school—athletes, teachers, students, janitors—who need a healing touch from God. Maybe they just need someone to ask, “Can I pray for you?” Consider doing this as a way to show you care. God can use you mightily in this area.
2. The life of Jesus was an example of compassion. When Jesus saw the crowds in verse 26, He had a compassion on them. Using the words “harassed and helpless,” Matthew paints a picture of people who are on their backs, unable to get up because of wounds or hurts. Jesus had, and still has, compassion for a hurting world. We need to see our world through the eyes of Jesus. We need to reach out to the students of our school with compassion. Above all, we need to let the love of Jesus Christ shine through all our relationships. We have the good news.
3. The prayer and command of Jesus say it all. We have to get on with it. Jesus knew that He could not reach the masses by himself. In order for all the world to be touched by His power and message, He appealed to His disciples to pray and ask Father God to send forth workers. That’s where we come in. We need to pray for student missionaries to be raised up to touch our campus. Secondly, we need to be available to be those student missionaries. Take a stand for Jesus in our community, school and world.

salvation appeal

If today’s message has spoken to your heart, and your heart is saying, “I need Jesus,” see me after the meeting. I want to say a short prayer with you, and then I want you to join with us to reach our campus for Jesus.



challenge

The whole idea about reaching the world for Jesus is so important during the uncertain day we live in. We must do all we can until Christ returns. We all have friends who are dealing with loneliness, divorce, suicidal thoughts, peer pressure and other issues. They are like the sheep that need help in Matthew 9. Jesus Christ wants to enlist student missionaries who will say, “Lord, I’ll go to my campus mission field and do my part.” Let’s pray that God will speak to us today. We have to get on with the task of fulfilling the Great Commission so all the world will have a chance to come to Jesus Christ.