

Sheep, Serpents, and Doves

➤ Prepare for _____

- Be _____
as you face hostility because of the gospel (10:16)
- Trust the _____ when you
speak among wolves (10:17-20).
- Stay committed to Christ and His mission when everyone _____
you (10:21-23).
- Expect to be treated like _____ (10:24-25).

Make It Real

Because of what Jesus has done for me and what I have heard today,

- I will turn from my sin and trust Jesus to forgive me, make me acceptable to the Father, and give me new life.
- I will stand firm in my faith and proclaim the gospel no matter the cost.
- I will . . .

Personal observations from the message.

1. How would you summarize what you learned in a sentence or two?
2. What was something you didn't know or were reminded of?
3. What point or verse did you find most helpful? Why?
4. What is a question you have?
5. What can you share with someone? Who can you share it with?

Discussion questions from the message.

1. What kind of hostility do believers face in our cultural context? What have you experienced? How have you responded?
2. What are examples of being wise as serpents and gentle as doves? What might this look like in your family, neighborhood, at work?
3. Why does the gospel of Jesus Christ stir up so much animosity?
4. Why shouldn't we be surprised that people will treat us badly when we proclaim the gospel?
5. What confidence do we have when we face the wolves?