

Chapter 1 : Vulnerable: How God Sends Us Out As Sheep Among Wolves

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Avoid conflicts and attacks. Have a sense of appropriateness. Car dealer who was a Christian. He knew His bible. Be different from the world. Many missionaries need to practice this to literally stay alive. This saying of doves and serpents would mean that when missionaries go into a hostile situation they need to live upright morals lives, while not necessarily divulging their motives to see people saved from their sins with the Good News of Jesus. Persecution will come from four areas: Jesus experienced persecution from the religious folks. It was the religious people of the day who put Him to death. The early church was almost entirely persecuted by Jews for the first few decades. Paul is persecuted by idol makers Acts Paul upset the silversmiths who made idols for Diana because they were running out of business. We know that in the end times there will be a global religious system. Babylon the Great will be a worldwide religious system. Islam is increasingly a threat to Christians all over the world, and of course not only Christians, but anyone who will not submit to Mohammad and the Koran. Just last week in London a British soldier was beheaded in the middle of the day. They were Muslim street preachers. Make no mistake about it. Maybe we will see more of this as time goes. But Jesus certainly prophesied this would happen. From the one end of the Muslim world to the other, Christians are being murdered for their faith. But in fact, a wholly different kind of war is underwayâ€”an unrecognized battle costing thousands of lives. Christians are being killed in the Islamic world because of their religion. It is a rising genocide that ought to provoke global alarmâ€”From blasphemy laws to brutal murders to bombings to mutilations and the burning of holy sites, Christians in many nations live in fear. The world is a dangerous place. In the past years much of the persecution that has come against Christians has been through the State. The State has been responsible for millions of deaths. Communism and Socialism hate Christianity. Then the persecutions and martyrs on Christian from the Catholic church on folks like Wycliffe and John Huss and Tyndale. But this persecution was promised by God. We will be persecuted. The world will hate Christians because the world hates Christ. If you claim Christ, you have just made yourself a target. How can we expect the State to persecute us? Well, first off, Paul tells us to pray for freedom and peace. But if the Lord instead chooses to judge our nation, which we see happening, then I think we can expect: A persecution through the courts. Reckless laws will be passed. Hate-crimes will be applied to preachers who condemn the sin of homosexuality. Or, more mildly, churches will lose tax-exempt status for taking a stand on biblical principles. Maybe jail for preaching the Word? But the Holy Spirit will direct us as we go. And for us, as Americans. We enjoy a great measure of freedom, but are we prepared to not bend the knee to the State, if the State ever asks us to go against our conscience and the Word of God? And if history repeats itself, then that day WILL come. Brother will deliver brotherâ€” 2. This may be the most difficult form of persecution. To be ostracized from your family because of Christ is no easy thing. In some places in the world, people will hold a funeral for a family member who has converted to Christianity. Even worse, they will deliver you over to death. Brothers and fathers and mothers will do this. Conflict will come on account of Jesus. He is saying all people, generally. Society as a whole. The Bible makes it clear that we will true Christians will not be cool in the worlds eyes. This is a tough pill to swallow, but the sooner you do, the better. Christians will never be the cool kids on the block. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. We have become, and are still, like the scum of the world, the refuse of all things. After years The Boy scouts lifted their previous ban on homosexuals and now allow gay boys to be members, although they did not lift the ban on gay leaders. Which shows the hypocrisy of the decision. Hollywood and the media. Will not portray Christians in a positive light. We will be seen as haters. Colleges and Universities and schools will continue to disparage Christians. And honestly, our suffering is nothing compared to the suffering going on in the rest of the world! Is America heading south down a moral sewage pipe? But why should that alarm us? This was never meant to be a Utopia, and we are not home yet! I love America, but I love heaven more. The one who endures to the end will be saved Only those who last; only those who persevere will be saved. When

persecution became too intense, he left for another region. This is a clear eschatological statement. Even during the end times, during the Great Tribulation when the , Jewish preachers are preaching all over the globe. Expect Persecution because Jesus was persecuted Jesus was called Satan. He was criticized for casting out demons by the prince of demons. They made a film which my wife and I just watched a few months ago, a black and white, made in In Lord of the Flies, British schoolboys are stranded on a tropical island. In an attempt to recreate the culture they left behind, they elect Ralph to lead, with the intellectual Piggy as counselor. But Jack wants to lead, too, and one-by-one, he lures the boys from civility and reason to the savage survivalism of primeval hunters. In Lord of the Flies, William Golding gives us a glimpse of the savagery that underlies even the most civilized human beings. These English schoolboys turn in to a pack of vicious wolves. The British officer arrives to discover the depth of their depravity. Factions, gangs, jealousy, murder, hatred. They needed to be delivered from without. Salvation comes from the outside. It hates God and would gladly put Him to death. So in verse 25 Jesus is telling his disciples to not expect anything less. If the world hates Jesus, and it does, then the world will hate you. Expect persecution from religious people, expect persecution from the government, expect persecution from your family, and expect persecution from society. You will be like sheep amongst a pack of wolves in this world. Such statements about persecution might have freaked the disciples out. Statements about being dragged in front of governors and kings and having family members hate you might cause some people to fear. Jesus calls His disciples to be fearless, but not foolish. BUT, there may be circumstances when they need to pick up and move town?

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But beware of men: But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. Wolves eat sheep and sheep have no defense against these predators who see them a nothing more than a meal. Wolves take their very lives, thinking nothing of it. Likewise, Christ sends us out among our brethren which was the Jews in those days and warns us to beware. Some, like Saul, bring us before authorities and treat us unjustly. Jesus says that we will give an account by the Holy Spirit for a testimony against such people in the last judgement. God Himself will speak through us and give an answer to their accusations. Yet for all that, God still sends us forth to do His will and speak His word. Though Jesus could command more than twelve legions of angels, the son of God still allowed himself to be nailed to the cross. Without Jesus taking our place and bearing our punishment, no one could be saved. Therefore, Jesus made himself vulnerable, for our sake, to death by torture and, even worse, risked separation from his Father for eternity. In similar manner, but to an infinitely lesser degree, God sends us out among the wolves of our day, religious folk, to speak the truth also. Our Father does this because, though we are but sheep, it is so important that people know about Jesus, God feels it is worth the risk. Without our willingness to risk much, many will not hear the gospel. The current world of God is always persecuted Personally, I do not like the thought of becoming vulnerable to religious wolves. I have faced the most vehement persecution from Christians who, rather than love me as they should in Christ, chose instead to hate me. Wolves are pitiless when it comes to sheep and religious people are often no better. When you get a legalistic person outside their doctrinal box, they bare their teeth. However, as dangerous as religious wolves may be, we must speak the truth so that others may hear and believe. In western societies, owning a Bible in the common tongue or preaching salvation by faith is no longer dangerous. Even speaking in other tongues or believing that God is one will not get you in much hot water. What God does nowadays though, if you dare speak it, makes you vulnerable to the wolves of our generation. Speaking current revelation still costs a lot. To be his sheep is always to be among wolves. Finally, speak the revelation God gives you even though wolves are present. Accept the possibility of ridicule in order to share His word. Follow after the example that our Savior set and do the will of God whatever the cost. In this, if we remain faithful, we become the sons of God.

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As sheep in the midst of wolves. The position of the disciples would be as sheep surrounded by a flock of hungry and raging wolves, the wolf being here, as elsewhere in the New Testament, the symbol of the persecutor. Paul "caught men with guile" 2Corinthians Once again truth appears in the form of paradox. The disciples of Christ are to be at once supremely guileful and absolutely guileless. In and by that Spirit the two qualities that seem so contradictory are reconciled. Pulpit Commentary Verses The subdivisions of this section are after ver. Verse a, parallel passage: He calls their attention. I send you forth. In this I lies the germ of vers. But Peter answered and said unto him, What then, if the wolves should tear the lambs? Jesus saith unto Peter, Let not the lambs fear the wolves after they [the lambs] are dead. The prudence of the serpent is specially apparent in the quickness of its perception of danger and the rapidity with which it escapes from it. Kubel gives Matthew And harmless as doves. It is thus not active, but passive. Matthew Henry Commentary They were to avoid all things which gave advantage to their enemies, all meddling with worldly or political concerns, all appearance of evil or selfishness, and all underhand measures. Christ foretold troubles, not only that the troubles might not be a surprise, but that they might confirm their faith. He tells them what they should suffer, and from whom. Thus Christ has dealt fairly and faithfully with us, in telling us the worst we can meet with in his service; and he would have us deal so with ourselves, in sitting down and counting the cost. Persecutors are worse than beasts, in that they prey upon those of their own kind. The strongest bonds of love and duty, have often been broken through from enmity against Christ. Sufferings from friends and relations are very grievous; nothing cuts more. It appears plainly, that all who will live godly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecution; and we must expect to enter into the kingdom of God through many tribulations. With these predictions of trouble, are counsels and comforts for a time of trial. Be ye harmless as doves. Not only, do nobody any hurt, but bear nobody any ill-will. Prudent care there must be, but not an anxious, perplexing thought; let this care be cast upon God. The disciples of Christ must think more how to do well, than how to speak well. In case of great peril, the disciples of Christ may go out of the way of danger, though they must not go out of the way of duty. The fear of man brings a snare, a perplexing snare, that disturbs our peace; an entangling snare, by which we are drawn into sin; and, therefore, it must be striven and prayed against. Fear Him, who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. They must deliver their message publicly, for all are deeply concerned in the doctrine of the gospel. The whole counsel of God must be made known, Ac Christ shows them why they should be of good cheer. Their sufferings witnessed against those who oppose his gospel. When God calls us to speak for him, we may depend on him to teach us what to say. A believing prospect of the end of our troubles, will be of great use to support us under them. They may be borne to the end, because the sufferers shall be borne up under them. The strength shall be according to the day. See how the care of Providence extends to all creatures, even to the sparrows. And the very hairs of your head are all numbered. This denotes the account God takes and keeps of his people. It is our duty, not only to believe in Christ, but to profess that faith, in suffering for him, when we are called to it, as well as in serving him. That denial of Christ only is here meant which is persisted in, and that confession only can have the blessed recompence here promised, which is the real and constant language of faith and love. Religion is worth every thing; all who believe the truth of it, will come up to the price, and make every thing else yield to it. Christ will lead us through sufferings, to glory with him. Those are best prepared for the life to come, that sit most loose to this present life. Christ does not say that they deserve a reward; for we cannot merit any thing from the hand of God; but they shall receive a reward from the free gift of God. Let us boldly confess Christ, and show love to him in all things.

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