

# Morning Lesson

## SERVENTHOOD - JANUARY

**Matt. 20:26-28**

### HOW CAN WE SERVE AS MINISTERS?

**Rom. 10:11-15**

#### INTRO:

1. We have four men on staff, but is that all we have when we think of Ministers?
2. Can we all serve in some capacity as a minister?

#### I. **NOT EVERYONE SHOULD BE A PREACHER.**

- A. God intends that there will be different talents and responsibilities in the church. **Eph. 4:11-16; Acts 21:8**
- B. The letters to Timothy give a good description of what a preacher should be and do.
  1. Make sure the truth is taught. **1 Tim. 1:3, 4; 4:1-7; 2 Tim. 2:2; 4:1-5**
  2. Don't get caught up in things that are petty and unnecessary. **1 Tim. 1:4-7; 4:7; 6:10, 11, 20, 21**
  3. Work toward godliness. **1 Tim. 4:7-9, 13-16**
  4. Has to be tough, but gentle. **2 Tim. 2:3, 4; Jer. 12:5; 2 Tim. 2:24 ...gentle to all ...**
  5. To be done by men. **1 Tim. 2:11-14**

#### II. **EVERYONE SHOULD BE A MINISTER.**

- A. We should minister to, or serve, one another. **Heb. 6:10; 1 Pet.4:7-11; Gal. 6:10**
- B. We also should be ministers of the gospel. **Matt. 28:18-20; 2 Tim. 2:24, 25**

#### CONC:

1. If we all look to scripture to learn how we can support the public ministers that we have and to become better ministers within our own capacity, the congregation will be even stronger.
2. As always, Christ is our perfect example.