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5 MINUTE LESSONS ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD

I Was a Celebrity at Walmart

Christ's work and Gospel begins at Jerusalem, then at Judea, then Samaria and then the uttermost parts of the earth. (Acts 1:8) Your mission field is your own hometown, then the surrounding cities, then the state that you live in and from there should spring to the uttermost parts of the earth.

A few months ago, I was in a different city and happened to visit a Walmart store. While I was there checking out, I offered a gift of a [beautiful angel](#) to the cashier that was helping me. Before long, the other Walmart employees were running up to me because they had seen the beautiful angel that I had given their coworker. As a result, I began giving out angels everywhere. Joy broke out all over the front of that Walmart store! Today, I revisited that Walmart store not thinking about what had happened three and a half months ago. I went back to the craft area and purchased some beautiful beads and jewelry items that I could use to restock my supplies for making my jewelry. When I went forward to the cashier I asked, "Could you help me check these items out?" And she said, "Sure." When she saw the brilliant colors of the beads that I was purchasing, she looked at me and she said, "You remind me of someone that came into the store..." And then I stopped her. I said, "I'm he, I am the one." She got so excited that she called the other cashiers to come. "The angel man is here!" They were so excited to see me and the jewelry that I had been making (that I give freely as an act of love and kindness from the Lord). Joy broke out everywhere! To my surprise, I said, "Have I given you angels before?" Then I looked and noticed that each one of these young women had an angel attached to their name tag! They had angels of all colors that they displayed boldly with their name tag each and every day as they came to work. I was stunned! I said, "When did I give you an angel?" They said, "About three and a half months ago."

Something similar also happened to me at the Walmart store in my hometown. I was purchasing some beads to make my angels and when I came up to the cashier she said, "He's here! You are at it again!" I said, "Yes I am." And then she told me how the angel I had given her was stolen. She was very grieved at the loss of her angel. I said, "Don't worry." I opened my box and said, "Get another one. Or two if you want." Her grief over losing her angel was my joy, because I knew how much this gift was appreciated and it was so precious that even a thief wanted to steal it. I even had a woman that had broken her angel ask me for a replacement.

Also today in another city at a Hobby Lobby store, I saw some young girls doing some cheerleading exercises. I walked up to them and their mother and said, "I want to give

you a gift for Easter.” They were shocked and surprised! When I opened the box and gave them angels they were so touched by these gifts that these young girls went to the bead section to help me find more materials so I could continue making angels for others.

I don’t know how many times these kinds of experiences have resulted in being able to witness for Christ and given me the opportunity to listen to peoples troubles and pray for them or even have them pray for me, right in the stores! You can’t call this soliciting because there is no exchange of money or anything like that because even if it is offered to me, I will immediately refuse to accept anything in return.

These kinds of experiences, that seem to happen to me every week, are tied to Matthew chapter 5 where it says, let your works and good deeds be shown to men with the result that glory is being brought to the Father in Heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

I was able to share this website and these [5 minute lessons](#) with these young girls at Hobby Lobby, so they could come and hear for themselves, some of the experiences other people have had, as I give away these angels and to see the spiritual connection of what happened to them, as the Heavenly Father reveals His love and kindness.

God is in the people business! Be someone’s miracle today!

“...you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind. And you must love your neighbor just as much as you love yourself.” Luke 10:27 (TLB)

Questions

- 1 What specific question did the man ask Jesus in Matthew 22:36?
- 2 What kind of love did Jesus describe?
- 3 What kind of love for one’s neighbor did Jesus require?
- 4 How important did Jesus say these two principles, love for God and love for man, were?
- 5 What does it mean to love your neighbor as yourself?

Answer Key

1 What specific question did the man ask Jesus in Matthew 22:36?

“Master, which is the great commandment in the law?” (Matthew 22:36)

2 What kind of love did Jesus describe?

“Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.” (Matthew 22:37)

3 What kind of love for one’s neighbor did Jesus require?

“And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.” (Matthew 22:39)

4 How important did Jesus say these two principles, love for God and love for man, were?

“On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” (Matthew 22:40)

5 What does it mean to love your neighbor as yourself?

“¹⁶We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God’s love be in that person? ¹⁸Dear children, let’s not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.” (1 John 3:16-18 NLT)

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