**Matthew 28: 10-20**

**Canon City EFC 4-30-17**

Title: The Response to Truth

Main Idea: The work of Satan is to deceive, but the authority and power of God’s “truth” in the Gospel of Christ is designed to flow from the lives and mouths of all His followers to the lost and weak in faith.

SUPPORTING IDEAS:

The resurrected Christ and the Gospel it brings demands a response!!and these verses show **four** clear responses we can learn from.

1. 1. Vs 11-15 **Priest** .Haters who **come against Christ** and have others do the same Ro 1:32
2. 2. 11, 15 **Guard**. **(Chose** worldly things over truth) Mt 16:26 Gain the world but lose Soul
3. 3.Vs. 17 **doubters**. **Crippled by doubt** Mk 9:24 “Help my unbelief” Thomas, most of the followers!
4. 4. Vs 10**,** 16, 17 **worshipper. Come to faith, Believe! Acts 8:12 “they believed the Good News!”**

We see Satan’s challenge to Priest and Guards to **Go** and do his work of lies in verses 11-15 BUT **Jesus doesn’t speak of the lies** in Vs.16-20 but addresses it by telling His followers **to GO** and share the truth, **28:18-20 read**

* The fullness of Christ and God’s Word alone will come against the lies, the attacks, the hate, the doubts

and the love of this sinful and lost world. Not intellect or just a social Gospel.

**Application**

These are effective responses disciples should have as we share the Gospel with those around us:

1. Worshipers-Good soil Our Response: Show Christ and share Gospel! ( Jn 3:16 Roman road just share) Smallest group!
2. Doubters, Same Response! but they need more time, Roman-Road, ask questions about their doubt. Keep sharing Christ, walk with them as they work through their doubts with God. Book- more than a Carpenter James 1:5-6
3. Lust of the world, Same response! But even more time Ro 14:10. Ro 6;23.. Stay with them. Their lies and world will break Stay close but do not conform.Get them into a biblical financial class! Speak to them.
4. Haters, God complex, Same response! BUT not for new in the faith; for the strong in Christ. Love them, while being attacked and let coals of love and God’s truth work. This can take decades! Stay in touch without being hurt. Challenge them to read the word.

1 Cor 1 :27 Acts 6:7 Ro 1:28-32

**Questions:**

Why does the Gospel of Christ/Christ create such strong responses and why does God demand a life response?

What was your response when you first heard the Gospel? How does it help and give you confidence to know the four responses?

What about the Gospel should we know when sharing with each group? Where are you weak in scripture about the salvation in Christ and thus fearful?

What does it mean to live in Christ and share? What does it means to share and then let God be God?

Can “man” save anyone? Why does Christ use His followers to spread the Good New?