

September 27, 2020
Upside Down: Persecuted
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Matthew 5:10-12

I. Coming to _____

James 1:2-4

1. Evidence of the _____ of _____

1 Peter 4:14-15

2 Timothy 3:12

2. Weaves Us Into the _____ of _____

Luke 9:23

II. Cause Worth _____

A. _____ Mindset

B. _____ of Mission

C. _____ in Action

Matthew 5:14-16

Deep Dive

Use the following questions this week with family, friends, co-workers, or neighbors to go deeper into what you learned today.

1. How have you observed believers being persecuted for their beliefs?
2. How is true persecution of faith different from personal trials? Read James 1:2-4.
3. Read Luke 9:23 and quickly discuss what it looks like to take up your cross daily.

The Springboard

Family Worship is a great time to jump into next week's sermon. Use these questions as a guide.

1. Read John 5:39 and discuss why there is value in searching Scriptures for truth.
2. Share with each other what your favorite Bible verse is and why.
3. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 and discuss how we have hope in Christ.