## LESSION 32 06:08:17 Theme: THE PERSECUTED BUT PERSISTENT MESSENGERS

**Memory Verse**: 2 Timothy 2:3 "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ".

**Texts: Romans 8:35-39; 2 Corinthians 4:8-11** 

A quality stands in the life of the servants whom the Householder sent. They were persecuted, abused, stoned, misused, reproached and even killed. Yet they stayed at their posts. Moses, Joshua, Daniel, Jeremiah, Amos, Shedrach, Meshach and Abednego stayed at their posts. Several others in the New Testament – Paul, John, Stephen, and Philip also stayed at their posts. We should have the same mind like Christ who remained at His post even at the face of death.

The world never likes the preacher of righteousness. The righteous, holiness believing Christians is always persecuted. "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution" (2 Timothy 3:12). The servants who first went to the husbandmen of the vineyard in this parable were beaten and ill-treated. But it is instructive to learn that the treatment meted out to them did not deter other servants from going to the husbandmen on the householder's instruction or commission.

This is a great lesson for the believer today. Some people look at the risks and challenge of the work of the Lord and therefore shy away from the work. We must love God and the service of God to the point that we will be ready to do it whatever the obstacle (persecution, problems, deprivation, and misrepresentation). The bible say no one having set his hand upon the plugh and look back is fit for the kingdom of God. Beloved, we should be persistent messengers of the Lord not fearing persecution, why? Because the Lord has promise to be with us always even to the end of time.

DAILY BIBLE READING			
MORNING		EVENING.	
MON.	Jos. 19	1 Jn 5	
TUS.	Jos. 20	.2 Jn. 1	
WED.	Jos. 21	3. Jn. 1	
THUR.	Jos. 22	1 Jn. 1	
FRI.	Jos., 23	Jude 1	
SAT.	<b>Jos.</b> 24	<b>Rev.</b> 1	
SUN.	Ju. 1	<b>Rev 2</b>	