

## **Committed Unto Us**

### **Ready:**

"Now everything is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. . ."

-2 Corinthians 5:18

### **Set**

Have you ever been entrusted with something of great value? Maybe you have had to take a large amount of money to the bank. Maybe you had to keep track of a friend's wedding ring until the day of his wedding. Whatever you may have been entrusted with, it is safe to say that all of us know what it feels like to have something of great value committed unto us.

When I was a senior in high school, my basketball team had a very big game against our rivals on their homecoming night. We played very hard; and as every great basketball story goes, we were down by two with three seconds to go. As we went into the timeout, we all expected our coach to draw up a play that would tie the game and send us into overtime. However, as we were standing there, one of our players, Clint, began to tell us how he could win the game if we would just give him the ball. So, we emerged from the huddle with a certain amount of fear. I remember watching as the ball was in-bounded to Clint. After one bounce of the ball, Clint squared up as well as he ever did, and . . . we waited for what seemed like days. All I could think was I was glad that the ball wasn't committed unto me.

Clint's responsibility with the shot is not even close to what Christ left us when He returned to Heaven. The word "reconciliation" has been committed to us. We are to go and make disciples of all men, and to lead as many as we can to Christ. That's a high calling! With three seconds to go, Clint had no other option but to win or lose the game, and the whole stadium was waiting to see what he did. Today, six billion people around the world are waiting to see what we will do with the word "reconciliation," which has been committed to us. What will you do with it today?

By the way, Clint hit the shot, and we all went the Dairy Queen to celebrate.

### **Go**

1. Do you recognize that the clock is ticking and you just have a few short years to lead others to Christ?
2. What are you going to do with the word of "reconciliation"?

3. Will you drop it?

### **Workout**

Matthew 28:16-20

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

### **Bible Reference:**

2 Corinthians 5



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