



PREACHING THE GOSPEL IN A CHAOTIC ONLINE WORLD

with Jamie Bambrick

▶ FOCUS VERSE

So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
Isaiah 41:10

▶ DISCUSSION

- 1. What's the most memorable spiritual experience you've ever had? (See Psalm 34:8.)**
 - a. What were the circumstances, and were any other people involved?
 - b. What about that moment made such an impression on you?
- 2. Do you find yourself still thinking about that experience and/or reflecting on it today?**
 - a. Do you think your life would be any different today if it had never happened—for better or for worse?
- 3. Jamie describes experiences involving both a friend and his own young son in which he was moved by the connection they seemed to have with God.**
 - a. Have you ever interacted with someone in your life who made an impression on you like that—someone who had a connection with God that was evident, and that you perhaps wanted for yourself?
 - b. Was it surprising to you that this person in particular had such a connection, and if so, why?



c. What, if anything, did you learn from this person?

4. How involved are you with social media?

a. How did you first get involved in that world, and what do you primarily use social media for these days—work, entertainment, staying connected to family and friends, getting out a particular message of your own?

5. Would you say your interactions with other people online have been mostly positive or mostly negative? *(See Luke 6:31.)*

a. What are the things you're happiest or most satisfied to see on social media, and what are the things that inspire more negative reactions?

6. Have you ever been involved in a conversation, debate, or argument online that left you feeling sadder, angrier, or emptier than when you started? *(See Romans 12:18.)*

a. How did that interaction progress—was it angry and negative from the get-go, or was it something innocuous that took an unfortunate turn?

b. Looking back, is there anything you could've done to steer that interaction into more positive territory—or would it have been better to just cut it off entirely?

7. Who are the people in your life who provide you the most encouragement? *(See Hebrews 10:24-25 and 1 Thessalonians 5:11.)*

a. Who are the people who provide you with the best advice—even when it's critical?

b. What do you admire or appreciate most about these people?

