



JESUS SENDS OUT HIS DISCIPLES

We have been discussing the fact that, as a church and as followers of Jesus, we have a mission to accomplish – we are called to tell others the good news about God’s love and the hope and purpose that can only be found in a relationship with the living Lord Jesus.

We are now going to look at how Jesus prepares us for the mission.

Read Matthew 9 35-38

1. In verses 35 we see Jesus advancing the Kingdom of God. List the differences that the Kingdom make.
2.
 - a. In verse 36, who identifies the need and what is it?
 - b. Does that need exist in our community today?
3. What does Jesus ask His followers to do about the need? Is this still relevant?

Read Matthew 10 1-8

4. Discuss the authority mentioned in verse 1. Where does it come from? Who has it? What difference does it make?
5. In verses 2-4 what can we learn from this list? Is it relevant or can we skip it?
6. How can we interpret/apply verses 5-6?
7. How do the instructions in verses 7-8 compare with Jesus' mission in Matthew 9 v35?

Read Matthew 10 9-15

8. Why does Jesus give these specific instructions? How do they apply to us?

Read Matthew 10 16-20

9. In these verses, Jesus gives His followers warnings.
 - a. How applicable are the warnings to us in our community?
 - b. What promises does Jesus make concerning the warnings?