Sent Forth: Laborers in God's Harvest



Explore Jesus' sending of workers into the harvest field and its call on us to proclaim and heal in His kingdom now.





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Introduction

Welcome to this transformative journey through the Gospels, focusing on Luke 10:1–20, where Jesus sends forth His laborers into the harvest. In these passages, we witness a divine calling that transcends time—a call to participate actively in God's mission to bring healing, restoration, and the good news of His kingdom to the world.

The Gospels depict Jesus not only as Savior but also as the One who empowers and sends His followers as ambassadors of hope. The sending of the seventy-two workers reminds us that the harvest is plentiful but the workers few. This invites each of us to reflect: How is Christ calling me to step out in faith and action?

Throughout this week, we will explore Jesus' instructions, the authority He grants, the challenges and triumphs faced by the laborers, and the spiritual implications for us today. We will consider practical ways to embody the mission of proclaiming the kingdom, healing the broken, and praying persistently for God's work to advance.

This study is designed to help you understand your role in the ongoing harvest field—engaging your heart, mind, and hands in God's redemptive plan. Let's prepare to be equipped and encouraged to join Jesus in His work of transformation and love. \triangle









Day 1: Called to the Harvest









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Your Verse

Luke 10:1 - Jesus appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go.

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 9:37 The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.
- John 20:21 As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.







Day 1: Called to the Harvest

Devotional: Understanding Our Divine Appointment to Serve

Jesus' sending of the seventy-two sets the tone for understanding our mission today. He intentionally appointed and sent them in pairs, emphasizing partnership and shared responsibility. The harvest refers to the souls ready to receive God's Kingdom, but the urgency remains because there are not enough workers.

Notice how Jesus gives clear instructions about going ahead into every town where He was about to visit. This shows that our mission aligns with God's timing and presence. We do not work alone but go where He leads.

In a modern context, being sent into the harvest means stepping out with faith to proclaim God's kingdom and embody His love through healing and compassion. It also involves readiness to face challenges knowing that God sends us in teams to strengthen one another. How might God be calling you today to step into this divine partnership and mission?







Day 1: Called to the Harvest

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean for you personally to be 'sent' by Jesus?
2.	How can partnerships strengthen your role in God's mission?
3.	In what areas might God be calling you to 'go ahead' and prepare the way?







Day 1: F Called to the Harvest

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe a time you felt called or sent into a situation to serve others.
2.	Write about the importance of working together in spiritual ministry.
	List practical ways you can prepare yourself to be sent into God's harvest fields.







Day 1: Called to the Harvest

Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for calling me into Your harvest field. Help me recognize Your timing and follow Your lead faithfully. Teach me to work in partnership with others, relying on Your strength. Give me courage to step out in faith, knowing You go before me. May I proclaim Your kingdom and bring healing as You send me. In Jesus' name, Amen. (?)

















Day 2: A Proclaiming the Kingdom

Your Verse

Luke 10:9 – Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Mark 1:15 'The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God has come near.'
- Romans 10:15 How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!







Day 2: A Proclaiming the Kingdom

Devotional: Living and Sharing the Kingdom's Message

Proclaiming the kingdom is not just about words—it is accompanied by healing and demonstration of God's power. Jesus instructed the workers to heal the sick and announce the kingdom's arrival, signaling a new reality breaking into the present.

When we share the good news, it's vital to remember that the kingdom encompasses restoration—spiritually, physically, emotionally. The laborers were agents of God's tangible grace. Today, this calls us to reflect: How can we embody both the message and the mercy of the kingdom?

Sharing the gospel means more than telling; it involves living out Christ's love through service and compassion, showing others a glimpse of God's reign on earth. Let that inspire your mission and shape the way you engage with those around you.







Day 2: 💁 Proclaiming the Kingdom

Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you witness the kingdom of God in everyday life?
2.	In what ways can healing be part of your ministry to others?
3.	What does it mean to proclaim the kingdom 'has come near' today?







Day 2: 💁 Proclaiming the Kingdom

Journaling Prompts

1.	Reflect on an experience where you saw God's kingdom break through pain or brokenness.
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3.	Identify people or places where you might bring hope and healing this week.







Day 2: A Proclaiming the Kingdom

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for the good news of Your kingdom. Help me be a faithful witness by both proclaiming Your message and demonstrating Your love through healing and kindness. Give me courage to reach those in need with Your grace and truth. May Your kingdom come near through me today. In Jesus' name, Amen. **

















Your Verse

Luke 10:17 - The seventy-two returned with joy and said, 'Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name!'

Supporting Scriptures

- Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood but against spiritual forces.
- James 4:7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.







Devotional: Overcoming Spiritual Opposition with Joy

The joy of spiritual victories accompanies challenges and opposition. The seventy-two returned excited because they witnessed the power of Jesus' name over demons. Their mission was not easy, but God's authority empowered them.

When Jesus sends us into the harvest, we can expect resistance from spiritual forces and human circumstances. Ephesians reminds us that our true struggle is spiritual. Yet, Jesus gives us power and authority to overcome through faith.

Facing opposition requires preparation, persistence, and dependence on God. It also encourages humility and reliance on His strength rather than our own. How do you handle discrimination, hardship, or spiritual battles in your journey of faith?







Reflect and Apply

1.	What kinds of opposition have you encountered when living out your faith?
2.	How can joy be sustained even when facing spiritual challenges?
3.	In what ways can you depend more fully on God's authority in struggles?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you experienced God's power overcoming obstacles.
	Journal your feelings when you face spiritual resistance and how you respond.
3.	List spiritual practices that help you stand firm against opposition.







Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for equipping me with Your authority to face spiritual battles. Strengthen my faith to stand firm against opposition and fill me with joy even in trials. Help me remember that victory comes through You alone. Empower me to persevere in Your mission and reflect Your glory. Amen.

















Your Verse

Luke 10:33–34 – But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was...he took care of him.

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 9:36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them.
- Colossians 3:12 Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.







Devotional: Compassion: The Heartbeat of Service

The parable of the Good Samaritan reveals the heart of Christ's mission: compassion that crosses boundaries. Sending laborers into the harvest includes caring deeply for those in need, regardless of societal divisions.

Compassion fuels ministry and transforms workers from mere messengers to agents of grace. Jesus' love was active and sacrificial, inviting us to mirror that love to the hurting and marginalized.

Imagine how the harvest could be affected if compassion motivated all our actions. Our mission becomes holistic—addressing spiritual and physical needs with a heart like Christ's. In what ways can you increase your compassion for those you serve?







Reflect and Apply

1.	How does compassion shape your approach to ministry?
2.	Are there groups or individuals you find difficult to love, and why?
3.	What practical steps can you take to show God's compassion today?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Recall a time when someone's compassion deeply impacted you.
	Write about barriers you might face in showing compassion and how to overcome them.
3.	List ways to cultivate a more compassionate heart in daily life.







Prayer for Today

Gracious God, fill my heart with Your compassion. Teach me to see those around me through Your eyes and to respond with kindness and mercy. Remove any walls of prejudice or indifference. May Your love flow through me to bring healing and hope where it is needed most. In Jesus' name, Amen.

















Your Verse

Luke 10:20 - Rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

Supporting Scriptures

- Acts 1:8 You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you.
- John 14:26 The Holy Spirit teaches and reminds you of all I have said.







Devotional: Joy from the Spirit's Power and Presence

The joy of the laborers was not in their power over demons but in their eternal standing before God. This humility reflects dependence on God's Spirit rather than human achievement.

Jesus' sending is empowered by the Holy Spirit, the source of strength, guidance, and wisdom for mission. Remembering that our names are written in heaven re-centers our purpose on God's sovereignty and promise.

Every worker in God's harvest must rely on the Spirit's filling daily. This dependence produces humility, joy, and effectiveness. Consider how the Holy Spirit guides your service and renews your vision for the kingdom's work.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you experience the Holy Spirit's guidance in your life?
2.	What areas of your service need more dependence on God's Spirit?
3.	How does remembering your identity in heaven impact your mission?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Reflect on a moment you felt empowered by the Holy Spirit.
	Write about challenges you have faced when trying to depend on God fully.
3.	List spiritual disciplines that help you stay filled and led by the Spirit.







Prayer for Today

Holy Spirit, come and fill me anew. Teach me, guide me, and empower me to serve with joy and humility. Help me remember that my true joy is found in my relationship with You and my place in Your kingdom. Lead me in all my ways, for Your glory. In Jesus' name, Amen. 😂 🐧 🙏

















Day 6: A Prayer as the Foundation

Your Verse

Luke 10:2 – Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer, present your requests.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray continually.







Day 6: A Prayer as the Foundation

Devotional: Prayer: Inviting God to Send Laborers

Prayer stands as the foundational activity in God's mission. Jesus instructs the workers to pray for more laborers, underscoring the necessity of dependence on God's sovereign work.

Prayer fuels the harvest. Before stepping out as workers, the laborers seek God's provision in spiritual laborers, indicating that mission without prayer lacks power.

For us today, this means our participation in the harvest must be prayerful—both in preparing ourselves and supporting others. Prayer aligns us with God's heart, sustains us in challenges, and invites His intervention. How consistent and fervent is your prayer life for the harvest and those sent?







Day 6: 🙏 Prayer as the Foundation

Reflect and Apply

1.	What role does prayer currently play in your ministry or service?
2.	How might praying for more workers change your perspective on mission?
3.	In what ways can you cultivate a habit of continual prayer?







Day 6: 🙏 Prayer as the Foundation

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time when prayer led to a significant change in ministry.
2.	Reflect on obstacles to consistent prayer and how to overcome them.
3.	List specific prayer requests for God's harvest in your community.







Day 6: 🙏 Prayer as the Foundation

Prayer for Today

Father of the harvest, I come before You in prayer. Send more workers, and prepare my heart to be one of them. Teach me to pray without ceasing and to rely fully on Your power. May Your kingdom advance through answered prayers and faithful labor. In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 🌾









Day 7: 🚶 Living Sent Daily









Day 7: A Living Sent Daily

Your Verse

Luke 10:3 - Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves.

Supporting Scriptures

- 2 Corinthians 5:20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.
- Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations.







Day 7: 🔏 Living Sent Daily

Devotional: Embracing Our Daily Mission with Courage

Jesus' sending reminds us that mission involves risk, vigilance, and trust. Being sent 'like lambs among wolves' means vulnerability but also divine protection and purpose.

Living sent daily requires courage to engage a world that can be hostile to faith. We represent Christ as ambassadors, called to proclaim and live out the message regardless of obstacles.

Each new day offers opportunities to witness, serve, and demonstrate the kingdom. Our attitudes, words, and actions reflect our sending. Reflect on how you can embrace the risks and responsibilities of being sent by Christ in your daily routines and relationships.







Day 7: A Living Sent Daily

Reflect and Apply

	In what areas do you feel called to be a courageous ambassador for Christ?
2.	How can you prepare yourself to face challenges in your mission field?
3.	What daily habits can help you live out your sending continuously?







Day 7: 🔏 Living Sent Daily

Journaling Prompts

	Write about fears or doubts you have about your daily mission and how to overcome them.
2.	Describe ways to practice courage in small, everyday situations.
3.	Plan actionable steps to intentionally live as a sent laborer this week.







Day 7: A Living Sent Daily

Prayer for Today

Jesus, I accept Your sending today. Equip me to go courageously, trusting Your protection and guidance. Help me represent You well as Your ambassador in every place I enter. May my life glorify You and advance Your kingdom, even when challenges come. In Your powerful name I pray, Amen.







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