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Message Title: SENT

Big Idea:

Every Christian is called, equipped, and empowered to live SENT—locally and globally—for the purpose of making disciples.

1. Every Christian is called to live SENT.

- The Great Commission is not a suggestion; it is a mandate for every believer (Matthew 28:19–20).
- We do not simply attend church—we are the church, sent into the world as ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20).
- Jesus was sent by the Father with a mission (John 17:3), and His followers continue His mission.
- Before we are sent out, we must be with Him (Mark 3:13–15).
- Living SENT means to live on mission every day and everywhere.

2. God gives us everything we need to be SENT.

- God equips those He sends—He never calls without providing all that we need.
- The Word of God equips us for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16–17).
- The Spirit of God empowers us to be witnesses (Acts 1:8).
- The Love of God fills our hearts and motivates our mission (Romans 5:5; 1 Corinthians 16:14).
- We cannot give what we have not received—disciples must be formed before they can make disciples.
- With God’s Word, God’s Spirit, and God’s love, we have everything we need.

3. We are SENT to make disciples—here at home and to the ends of the earth.

- Jesus gives a clear missional pathway in Acts 1:8: Jerusalem (local), Judea & Samaria (regional), ends of the earth (global).
- Every believer participates: some go, some send, all pray and

support.

- Your workplace, school, family, and community are your primary mission fields.
 - The world is full of people who have not heard the gospel (Romans 10:13–15).
 - Healthy churches make disciples — disciple-making churches plant more churches.
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Message Summary

This message emphasized the biblical truth that every Christian is called to live SENT. Jesus was sent into the world, and now His followers continue His mission by making disciples locally and globally. God has already equipped us with everything necessary—the Word of God, the Spirit of God, and the love of God—to fulfill His mission.

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

5-10 minutes connecting personally with how everyone is doing.

45 minutes going over message with discussion questions and life applications.

5-10 minutes praying for each other

Discussion Questions

1. What stood out to you from this message?
2. What does it practically look like to live SENT in your current season?
3. Why do many Christians struggle to see themselves as “sent”?
4. Which resource—God’s Word, Spirit, or love—do you need most right now?
5. Where is your “Jerusalem”(Acts 1:8)?
6. How can you personally support or participate in global missions?

5-Day Devotional

Day 1 — Called to Live SENT

Have you considered what the great commission means for you personally? Every Christian is called to be a disciple that makes disciples. Every Christian is called to participate in God's word around the world. This is a privilege that we have. God doesn't need our help. He is the Almighty God. He is so gracious and kind that He allows us to be participants in His work and be His ambassadors wherever we are. Ambassadors are official representatives that are sent to communicate an official message to a foreign land. We are citizens of heaven and the message that we proclaim is the gospel of reconciliation.

Reading: Matthew 28:16–20

Reflection: Where has God placed me to live SENT this week?

Day 2 — Jesus Was Sent First

Jesus is always the best example. Sometimes we forget that Jesus was sent. If you think about it, Jesus was really the greatest missionary with the most important mission. He was sent to a world of sin and suffering to serve, suffer, and die so that we could be saved from our sins and have eternal life. We need to follow His example of being sent in humility not to be served, but to serve and give His life a ransom for many. Are you willing to give your life to the mission of Jesus to save sinners? Are you willing to get uncomfortable and deny yourself so that you can be used by God?

Reading: John 17:1–8

Reflection: How does Jesus' mission give meaning to my life's mission?

Day 3 — Equipped to Be Sent

So many believers don't step into the calling that they have to participate in the great commission because they don't think that they are good enough, qualified, or equipped. God is able. God is with us. God is the one that works in and through us, but we need to be fully

surrendered to Him. We need to fill our hearts and minds with His word so that we can be fully equipped for every good work. We need to be full of the power of His Holy Spirit so that we can have the fruit of the Spirit which is love. When we are sent with His word, His Spirit, and His love, we can see His power working through us to change lives for the glory of His name.

Reading: 2 Timothy 3:16–17; Acts 1:8

Reflection: Am I relying on God's power or my own strength?

Day 4 — Sent to Our Jerusalem

At times, it can be easier to live on mission when we are sent on a mission trip to a foreign land. Nobody knows us in that country, and it is possible that we won't see those people again. Everyone wants to be liked and accepted. Sometimes preaching the gospel to your co-workers or neighbors can be scary because then they are going to be watching your every move to see if you really live out your faith.

Perhaps they might reject you and the gospel that you share with them. Living SENT to our neighborhoods, offices, and communities has its challenges, but God has placed us in these spheres of influences so that He can use our lives for His purposes. There is no greater joy than seeing our friends and family come to know Jesus as a result of our obedience to be bold and share the gospel.

Reading: Matthew 5:13–16

Reflection: Who in my immediate world needs the love and truth of Jesus?

Day 5 — Sent to the Ends of the Earth

There are people all over this planet that have never heard the gospel of Jesus Christ. There are many people groups that don't even have the Bible in their own language. We see in the book of Acts that God's plan for reaching the nations is to send out missionaries from local churches to make disciples and plant more churches.

Sometimes we think that this is a special calling for super Christians, but the reality is that it is a calling for ordinary Christians that are

sensitive to hearing God's voice and willing to leave everything behind and follow Him. If God were to call you to the mission field, would you be willing to go? Have you ever considered this or prayed about it?

Reading: Acts 1:8; Romans 10:13–15

Reflection: How can I personally support or participate in global missions?