

SERMON OUTLINE FOR DIGITAL DOWNLOAD

Lesson Title: Release: Time to Put It Together

Date: March 30, 2025Text: John 20:21

"So Jesus said to them again, 'Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send

vou."

I. INTRODUCTION: THE WORLD JESUS IS SENDING US INTO

- We live in a cold, dark, lost world, estranged from its Creator, trying to define its own existence.
- This world is driven by self-centeredness, moral confusion, and spiritual death, shaped by an adversary who seeks destruction.

1 John 3:8 – "The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil."

Jesus' Mission:

- To deliver from sin's penalty
- · To proclaim the arrival of the Kingdom
- To break Satan's grip on humanity

Acts 10:38 – "How God anointed Jesus...with the Holy Spirit and power...healing all oppressed of the devil."

II. JESUS TRANSFERS THE MISSION TO US

John 20:21

"As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

• Greek (apostellō): To be sent on a defined mission by a superior.

John 17:18 – "Just as You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world." John 17:20-23 (MSG): Jesus prays for His followers to carry His same heart and mind into the world.

III. DEFINING OUR MISSION

Mission (Latin: missio)

To be sent with purpose and authority on a defined assignment.

Our Mission Mirrors Christ's Mission:

- 1. Reveal the truth
- 2. Redeem the lost
- 3. Reconcile the world to God

Luke 4:43 – "I must preach the good news...for I was sent for this purpose."

2 Corinthians 5:20 - "We are ambassadors for Christ..."



IV. THE MANTLE & AUTHORITY OF THE MISSION

- Becoming a follower of Christ is not just about escaping hell—it's about embracing His mantle.
- We are authorized emissaries—carrying heaven's assignment.

Key Words:

- Shalach (Hebrew): To be dispatched with divine authority
- Emissary: A diplomatic representative with official status
- Ambassador / Diplomat / Representative: Chosen to act and speak on behalf of another

Romans 10:15 - "How shall they preach unless they are sent?"

V. MISSION CHARACTERISTICS

- 1. Purposeful Sending
 - You are not random—you are specifically sent to fulfill Christ's purpose.
- 2. Representation with Authority
 - You're not going alone. You carry Jesus' name, authority, and mission.
- 3. Assignment-Driven
 - Each believer has a role in the mission:
 - Proclaim, teach, heal, reconcile, serve, build, and reveal Jesus.

Ephesians 5:14-17 (AMP & NLT) – *Live with purpose. Understand what the Lord wants you to do.*

4. Empowered Execution

Acts 1:8 - "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you..."

- Greek: lambanō To take hold of what is offered with initiative
- Greek: dýnamis Ability to perform through God's ability

VI. YOU HAVE BEEN VESTED & CERTIFIED

You've been:

- Accredited Given official authorization
- Certified Proven to be genuine
- Endorsed Approved and backed
- Invested Clothed with power and authority
- Warranted Guaranteed and appointed
- Sworn In Legally affirmed by Heaven

Luke 12:32 – "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

Mark 16:20 - "The Lord worked with them, confirming the word..."

VII. WE LIVE IN A DISPENSATION OF DIVINE ASSIGNMENT



Ephesians 3:2 / 1 Corinthians 9:17 – "Stewardship (oikonomia) of the gospel is entrusted to me."

- This is our appointed time to carry out God's divine order in the world.
- Stewardship = Faithful management of what has been entrusted.

VIII. FILLED TO THE FULL: THE FOUNDATION OF ACTS

Acts 2:1-4 - They were all filled with the Holy Spirit...

- Greek: pléthō Filled to the limit, maximum capacity
- To be furnished, imbued, supplied, influenced
- Filled = Inspired and permeated to take action

1 Samuel 10:6 – "The Spirit of the Lord will come upon you...and you will be changed into another man."

Acts 4:8 - "Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said..."

IX. FILLED, FURNISHED, AND INFLUENCED

Filled: Supplied to capacity

Furnished: Equipped with what is needed

Influenced: Transformed in character and behavior

This equals undeniable evidence of your calling.

Acts 3 / Acts 4 / Acts 5 – Evidence everywhere of the Spirit working through believers.

X. FINAL DECLARATION & CHARGE

Declare This Over Your Life:

"I am not random—I am sent. I carry the mantle of Christ. I've been certified, endorsed, and empowered. I am filled, furnished, and influenced by the Spirit of God. I am a witness with evidence. I am an emissary with full authority. I don't just have the message—I carry the mission!"