

Sunday Sermon Guide

Central Baptist Church – Crockett, Texas

April 12, 2026 – Sent By The King: The Message We Proclaim

Main Passage: Matthew 10:7

Main Idea:

Jesus sends His followers to faithfully proclaim the message of the Kingdom as we go through everyday life.

The Setting:

- Jesus commissions the twelve apostles with authority for ministry
- Their initial mission is directed to the lost sheep of Israel
- This is preparation for their future role in building the church
- The mission later expands to all nations (Matt. 28)
- The same calling to proclaim the gospel applies to believers today

I. The Circumstance (“*As you go...*”)

- Jesus assumes continual obedience, not occasional participation
- Gospel ministry happens in the normal flow of daily life
- Every place we go becomes an opportunity for a witness
- We are responsible for faithfulness, not results
- God is the One who prepares hearts to receive the message

II. The Calling (“*...proclaim...*”)

- To proclaim is to announce truth with authority, not suggestion
- Every believer is called to share the gospel, not just pastors
- The message demands a response, not just acknowledgment
- We must not defer responsibility to others
- Truth must be spoken clearly, without compromise or dilution
- The gospel should be spoken with both boldness and love

III. The Content (“*...The kingdom of heaven has come near.*”)

- The King (Jesus) has come, bringing the Kingdom near
- Sin separates all people from God and requires a Savior
- Jesus lived perfectly, died sacrificially, and rose victoriously
- Salvation is received through repentance and faith in Christ
- The message remains constant, even when methods vary
- The focus is always the King and His Kingdom

IV. What the Message Is Not

- Not a message of personal success or self-improvement
- Not a promise of earthly comfort or prosperity
- Not centered on emotional relief or temporary solutions
- Not “your truth,” but God’s truth
- A diluted gospel may attract people, but it does not save

V. Application

- Pray for God to reveal opportunities to share the gospel
- Ask for boldness to speak when those opportunities arise
- Trust God with the results of your obedience
- Commit to keeping the message clear and gospel-centered
- Remember: you are not just saved—you are sent

VI. Closing Questions

- Have you personally entered the Kingdom through faith in Christ?
- Are you actively proclaiming the message of the King?
- Are you taking opportunities to speak, or remaining silent?

VII. Key Truth

- We are sent to proclaim the King’s message with clarity, authority, and urgency as we go.

“We are not called to debate and argue people into the Kingdom of God.”

“When we dilute the message, we might win more converts to the church, but not to Christ.”