

Sunday Sermon Guide

Central Baptist Church – Crockett, Texas
April 26, 2026 – Sent by the King: Method of the Mission

Main Passage: Matthew 10:5-11

Main Idea:

The King not only gives the mission—He defines the method by which it must be carried out.

Introduction

- A plan without a method is set for failure
- Jesus gives not just the mission—but the **method**
- The Kingdom program:
 - **Objective:** Find the lost sheep
 - **Message:** “The kingdom of heaven has come near.”
 - **Method:** How we carry that message

The Method of the Mission

I. Use What God Has Given You (v. 8a)

- Apostolic signs were specific to the apostles
- Today, each believer has **spiritual gifts**
- Different gifts → same mission (1 Corinthians 12:4–7)
- The message stays the same, but delivery varies
- The gift itself is not the miracle—the **result** is
- Don’t compare your gift to someone else’s

Key Truth: *The key is availability, not ability*

II. Give Freely What You Received (v. 8b) – “Freely you received, freely give.”

- The gospel is a **free gift of grace**
- Not a transaction—not something earned
- No manipulation, pressure, or strings attached
- Reject the mindset of reciprocity
- We don’t serve out of guilt—but out of joy and worship

Key Truth: *The gospel has no price tag*

III. Go in Dependence on God (vv. 9–10)

- Jesus calls for **dependence, not self-sufficiency**
- Not about poverty—but about **priority and trust**

- God is the provider for the mission
 - Comfort, control, and contingency plans can hinder faith
 - Waiting until everything is perfect removes the need for trust
- Key Truth:** *If there is no need for faith, there is no room for God to work*

IV. Go with Wisdom and Discernment (v. 11)

- The mission requires **intentional movement**
- “Find out who is worthy” → examine and discern
- Look for receptivity—God is already working
- Avoid extremes:
 - Reckless ministry (no wisdom)
 - Passive faith (no action)
- Be wise and led by the Spirit

Key Truth: *Not reckless, not passive, but faithful*

Application

- Am I using the gifts God has given me?
- Am I sharing the gospel freely—or with expectations?
- Am I trusting God—or waiting until I feel secure?
- Am I going—or staying comfortable?

Bottom Line

As followers of Christ, we are sent with His message—so we must faithfully go, depend on Him, and trust Him with the results.

“The key is availability, not ability—God works through those who are willing.”