



Silverdale Baptist Church
It's All About Jesus ~ Jesus: The Missionary
Luke 10:1-20~ 02/24-25/2024

Big Idea

We are called to infiltrate the world and build bridges with people who do not know Jesus.

Big Question

How are you infiltrating the world?

Getting Started

Isolators, imitators, and infiltrators. When you look around, who do you see the most?

Who are you?

***Leader:** This lesson is long. As a reminder, your goal is not to ask every question but to discuss Pastor Tony's message. It might be helpful to ask the one "Big Question" first and then bring out points in Pastor Tony's message as you discuss the one question. But this is only a suggestion. You are the small group leader, and you know how to lead your small group.*

Learn

1. The Plan of Jesus to Reach This World

*After this, the Lord appointed seventy-two others and **sent them** on ahead of Him, two by two (Luke 10:1)*

What is Jesus' plan for reaching the world?

What are you doing to cooperate with Jesus' plan?

2. The Promise of a Harvest

*"The **harvest is plentiful**, but the **laborers are few**. (Luke 10:2)*

Looking around you, how would you describe people's openness to respond to the gospel?

How did Jesus describe the harvest?

Why is Christianity not growing in the US?

Christian consumer or servant, which are you?

3. The Prayer for More Workers

*Therefore **pray earnestly** to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. (Luke 10:2)*

How are we supposed to pray?

When we pray for more workers, who might God send?

4. The Problems We'll Encounter

*I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of **wolves**. (Luke 10:3)*

What problems will we face if we are actively sharing the gospel?

How do we respond to rejection, hatred, and hostility?

*"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." (Dr. M. L. King Jr.)*

5. The People We're Focused On

*Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a **person of peace** is there, your peace will rest upon him. (Luke 10:5-6)*

When we go out into the harvest, who are we looking for?

How will we know them?

6. The Peace We'll Bring to People

*Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The **kingdom of God** has come near to you.'* (Luke 10:9)

*"We are called to make the invisible kingdom visible.
We are to demonstrate in tangible ways the love of God." (Pastor Tony)*

How do we demonstrate in tangible ways the love of God?

7. The Pronouncement of Judgment

*"The one who hears you hears Me, and the **one who rejects you rejects Me,**"* (Luke 10:16)

*It will be **more bearable** on that day for Sodom ... For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. (Luke 10:12-13)*

When we show the love of God to someone, and they reject us, who are they really rejecting?

What happens when someone rejects the message of the gospel?

How did Pastor Tony describe the judgment?

8. The Pleasures of Being Used By God

*The seventy-two **returned with joy**, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And He said to them, "**I saw Satan fall** like lightning from heaven ... do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your **names are written in heaven.**"* (Luke 10:17-20)

When the seventy-two returned, why were they excited?

Have you ever gotten excited because you suddenly realized God was using you to accomplish His purpose? Tell us about it.

Apply

Consumer or servant? If you are a consumer, what in your life needs to change?

What are you doing to infiltrate the world?

How have you seen God at work in your world this last month?

What has the Holy Spirit shown you this week, and what will you do about it?

Who will you tell about what you have learned this week?

Pray

Father, looking around us, we see a harsh world that is resistant to the gospel. Open our eyes to see the harvest the way You do. Teach us to pray as Isaiah did, "Here am I, send me."